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TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1867-8.

Town Clerk and Treasurer.

Hiram C. Alden.

Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor.

J. White Belcher, Nathaniel Howard,
Jacob Whitcomb.

Superintending School Committee.

Wales B. Thayer,	Term expires. March, 1869.
Thomas West,	" 1870.
Austin B. French,	" 1868.

Trustees of Stetson High School Fund.

John L. French,	Term expires. March, 1868.
Thomas White,	" 1869.
Daniel Howard,	" 1870.

Auditors.

R. W. Turner, Nathan A. Tolman, Thomas West.

Constables.

Wm. H. Warren,	T. E. Wortman,
L. R. Peterson,	Wilson Belcher,
N. E. Hobart,	Hugh Clark,
P. Webster Thayer,	Charles McCarty,
Charles Howland,	Thomas B. Jones.

Special Police.

Hiram C. Alden, Dexter D. Keith.

Fence Viewers.

H. C. Alden,	P. W. Cushing,	Nathan White,
Atherton Wales,	John Adams,	Edward Foley,
P. Webster Thayer.		

Field Drivers.

Edmund Cottle,	Henry Ludden,
Charles H. Mann,	R. N. Flint,
Willard Gay,	S. A. Vining,
Jesse Townsend,	Nelson Mann,
Wm. A. English,	P. Webster Thayer,
Edward Foley,	O. S. Wilbur,
Wm. Kennedy,	J. Riley Thayer,
H. Stevens,	E. Moulton, Jr.

Surveyors of Wood.

P. W. Cushing,	Thomas West,	Isaac Peirce,
N. A. Tolman,	Daniel B. White,	E. M. Roel,
Ephraim Mann,	B. K. Flanders,	Jos. Jones, Jr.

Pound Keeper.

William Hogan.

Keeper of Alms House.

Richard P. Lombard.

Liquor Agent.

Franklin Porter.

Collector of Taxes.

Edson M. Roel.

Representative to the General Court,

Daniel Howard.

Engineers of the Fire Department,

A. W. Whitcomb, Chief Engineer,	Thomas West,
Ralph Houghton, Clerk,	Abiel Howard,
John B. Thayer,	Levi Wilbur.
Wm. H. Warren,	

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

The Selectmen of the Town of Randolph respectfully submit the following report, showing the appropriations, receipts and expenditures, for the financial year ending March 2d, 1868.

APPROPRIATIONS BY VOTE OF THE TOWN.

For Schools (including \$300 for Stetson

High School),	\$10,000 00
Repairs on Highways,	3,000 00
New Engine Houses,	2,000 00
Services of Engine Men,	2,000 00
General Town Expenses,	16,000 00
County Tax,	2,699 12
State Tax,	15,800 00 — \$51,499 12
Amount of Tax assessed in 1867,	\$52,473 48
Rec'd from the State School Fund for	
two years,	757 87
“ the State Treasurer, (Corporation Tax,)	2,159 53
“ Sale of Salt Grass, (Coddington Fund,)	65 50

Rec'd Dividends of Randolph National	
Bank,	96 00
" for Rent of High School rooms,	
Dist. No. 9,	32 50
" Engine House sold,	145 00—\$55,729 88

ESTIMATED VALUE OF PROPERTY OWNED BY THE TOWN.

Alms-House land and buildings,	\$1,000 00
Town House and land,	15,000 00
School House and land, Dist. No. 1,	1,800 00
" " " " " 2,	1,600 00
" " " " " 3,	1,000 00
" " " " " 4,	1,800 00
" " " " " 5,	1,000 00
" " " " " 6,	1,500 00
" " " " " 7,	1,000 00
" " " " " 8,	5,000 00
Prescott School House and land, "	18,000 00
School House and land, Dist. No. 9,	1,300 00
High School House and land, " "	6,000 00
School House and land, " 10,	4,500 00
Stetson School Fund,	10,300 00
Eight shares Randolph National Bank,	
(Coddington Fund,)	1,000 00
Ten acres Salt Marsh,	500 00
Four Fire Engines and fixtures,	5,000 00
Five Fire Engine Houses,	3,500 00
Two Fire proof Safes,	200 00
Two hearses,	800 00—\$81,800 00

EXPENSES OF SCHOOLS FOR TERM ENDING MARCH 10, 1867.

For Teaching.

Paid Mr. Frank W. Lewis, for term ending	
March 10th, 1867,	\$350 00
" Thomas H. West, 13 weeks,	256 75
" John V. Beal for 12 2-5 "	186 00
" Wales B. Thayer, 13 "	255 17
Miss Isadora Arnold, 13 "	132 00
" Sarah E. Shankland 13 "	140 55
" Hattie R. Austin, 13 "	100 00
" Flora A. Belcher, 11 "	55 00
" Lottie S. Bean, 11 "	55 00
" Julia B. White, 12 "	60 00
" Ann L. White, 12 "	84 00
" Helen S. Dunbar, 11 2-5 "	57 00

Paid Miss Mary H. French,	12	weeks,	\$72 00	
“ Annie West,	11	“	66 00	
“ Ada Belcher,	12	“	84 00	
“ Emma F. Veazie,	11	“	49 50	
“ Estelle F. Wilson,	12	“	60 00	
“ S. Augusta Bass,	11 2-5	“	68 40	
“ S. M. Tileston,	12 1-2	“	75 00	
“ Lucy J. Thayer,	12 1-2	“	58 50	
“ Emma P. Ryan,	11	“	49 50	
“ Hannah F. Thayer,	12 1-2	“	87 50	
“ Felicia Vining,	12	“	72 00	
“ Alice A. Smith,	11 1-2	“	57 50	
“ Esther Beaman,	12	“	72 00 —	\$2,603 37

Care of School Rooms.

Paid Pliny H. Woodbury,	\$52 85
Charles White,	12 00
Julia B. White,	3 00
A. L. White,	9 00
Helen S. Dunbar,	8 50
Mary H. French,	3 00
Annie West,	8 25
Estelle F. Wilson,	3 00
S. A. Bass,	8 50
Hannah Mahoney,	13 00
N. H. Thayer,	15 00
Hattie R. Austin,	3 50
Mrs. Powderly,	11 00
Annie Farrell,	50
John Wales,	13 92
Ezra Whitcomb,	6 00
John W. Chessman,	29 50
Alice A. Smith,	8 25
Esther Beaman,	3 42
E. Keiley,	9 00
Wallace Whitmarsh,	5 90
George F. Spaulding,	12 63 — \$239 72

Furniture and Repairs of School Houses, and Incidental Expenses.

Paid E. W. Lincoln for school books,	\$32 67
Linus Belcher, labor and material,	2 60
John V. Beal, supplies Dist. No. 9,	10 56
Joseph McMath, paint, glass, and labor,	46 22
John L. Brown, labor and repairs.	15 25
Ralph Houghton, “ “	8 50
T. W. Whiting, “ “	10 30

Paid Franklin Porter, books, ink, cray-		
ons, &c.,	\$31	28
Elmer W. Holmes for copies of School		
Committees' report,	7	50
Elmer W. Holmes for printing notices,	75	
Geo. H. Wilkins, brooms, oil, &c.,	4	35
D. Webster Thayer, teams about town,	21	75
Edmund Shay for shovel,	1	00
Jackson Belcher, use of well,	1	00 —
		\$193 73

Total Expenses.

Teaching,	\$2,603	37
Care of Rooms,	239	72
Incidental,	193	73 —
		\$3,036 82

The foregoing amount of \$3,036 82 was expended for Teaching, Care of Rooms, and Incidentals, for the term ending March 10th, 1867. Said bills were unpaid in consequence of the financial year closing Feb. 1st, 1867, a large portion of the same coming due subsequent to that time.

The following expenditures for Schools cover three terms, ending March 2d, 1868, in compliance with a vote passed by the town, changing the time of holding its annual meeting from March 1st to April 1st, and for which an appropriation was made of ten thousand dollars.

For Teaching.

Paid Mr. F. W. Lewis,	40	weeks,	\$1,000	00
" Wales B. Thayer,	38	"	750	00
" Thomas H. West,	38	"	750	00
" John V. Beal,	35	"	671	06
Miss Izzie Arnold,	26	"	223	75
" Mary H. French,	37	"	222	00
" E. Annie Paine,	25	"	112	50
" Felicia Vining,	25	"	150	00
" S. Augusta Bass,	37	"	222	00
" Helen S. Dunbar,	37	"	185	00
" Lucy J. Thayer,	37	"	166	50
" Flora A. Belcher,	37	"	185	00
" Ada Belcher,	37	"	222	00
" Emma F. Veazie,	37	"	172	50
" Lottie S. Bean,	37	"	185	00
" Estelle F. Wilson,	37	"	185	00
" Esther Beaman,	37	"	222	00
" Alice A. Smith,	37	"	222	00

Paid Miss H. O. Noyes,	37 weeks,	\$222 00	
" Sarah E. Shankland,	one year,	400 00	
" Emma P. Ryan,	37 weeks,	172 50	
" Edna M. Howard,	12 "	60 00	
" Emily Copeland,	13 "	78 00	
" Hannah F. Thayer	37 "	259 00	
" S. M. Tileston,	37 "	<u>222 00</u>	
" Mary B. White,	4 "	40 00	
" Elvira L. Austin,	23-5 "	20 50	
" Enna M. Packard,	24 "	144 00	
" Hattie Hall,	7 "	55 25	
" Hattie A. Holbrook	12 "	72 00	
" Mary J. Austin,	12 "	54 00	
" N. C. M. Winship,	12 "	72 00	
" Alma G. Pierce,	12 "	72 00	— \$7,789 56
Appropriation for Stetson High School,			300 00
			<hr/> \$8,089 56

Fuel for Schools.

Paid Moses French for 1 cord wood,	\$8 00	
Hiram Jones 1-2 " "	2 00	
C. Estabrook 4 tons coal,	44 00	
D. W. Thayer, coal,	421 50	
Thomas West, wood and cutting,	43 00	
Silas Dyer, wood,	37 94	
Thomas Clark, cutting wood,	7 50	
Samuel Turner, " "	6 75	
Benjamin Turner, " "	4 00	
Geo. A. Hamilton, " "	16 00	
Samuel Miller, " "	1 50	
Simeon White for coal,	40 00	
Joseph Jones, Jr., wood,	3 00	
Bernard Purcell, cutting wood,	1 75	
Rufus A. Thayer, wood,	35 50	
C. Mann and A. M. Dyer, barrels and shavings,	3 50	— \$675 94

Care of School Rooms.

Paid Pliny H. Woodbury,	\$45 00
Wales B. Thayer, sundry bills,	13 15
Mary H. French,	13 75
E. Annie Paine,	6 25
Felicia Vining,	11 00
S. Augusta Bass,	6 75
Helen S. Dunbar,	6 75

Paid Ada Belcher,	\$12 25	
Estelle F. Wilson,	16 25	
Alice A. Smith,	22 25	
Esther Beaman,	15 75	
H. O. Noyes,	9 25	
Emily Copeland,	6 75	
Mrs. James Powderly,	27 00	
Mrs. Mahoney,	18 00	
W. & F. Ormsby,	50 00	
G. & J. Ormsby,	31 00	
Henry J. Dyer,	4 50	
J. Watson Belcher,	21 00	
Herbert E. Ludden,	24 00	
Enna M. Packard,	15 00	
Mrs. Michael Riley,	96 00	
Frank Beal,	42 00	
Flora Belcher,	2 50	
Thomas H. West,	3 00	
Emma P. Ryan,	3 00	
Lottie S. Bean,	3 00	
Emma F. Veazie,	3 00	
S. M. Tileston,	3 00	
Hannah F. Thayer,	3 00	
H. A. Holbrook,	3 00	
Frank H. Thayer,	9 10	
Mary J. Austin,	3 00	
N. C. M. Winship,	3 00	
Alma G. Pierce,	3 00	
Nath'l H. Thayer,	12 00	
Henry S. Fouchey,	12 00 —	\$579 25

Rent.

Paid John Long,	\$250 00
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Furniture and Repairs of School Houses, and Incidental Expenses.

Paid Thomas H. West for sundry bills	
paid by him,	\$205 99
Town of Stoughton, tuition of John McNiff,	6 60
Wales B. Thayer, teams, fares, &c.,	
procuring teachers,	34 62
Wales B. Thayer, sundry bills paid,	20 38
" " and others, teams	
about town,	20 00

Paid John Long, for coach-sleigh, and teams	
about town,	\$35 25
" " tickets and fares,	2 25
Franklin Porter, school books,	33 63
School Committee, books furnished	
scholars,	15 82
Frank W. Lewis, chemicals, apparatus,	
and books,	13 30
Chas. Estabrook, express,	10 60
E. G. French, bucket and chain,	2 00
T. E. Wortman, pails, dippers, and	
repairs,	16 40
M. W. Baker, stoves, pails, and	
repairs,	172 16
R. W. Turner, nails, glass, locks,	
pails, screws, oil, &c.,	28 12
J. C. Rhines, lumber for shed,	
So. Randolph,	24 25
Thos. West, bills paid for building	
same,	23 05
M. M. Alden, labor and material,	23 85
R. Houghton, " "	167 80
E. W. Holmes, printing notices, cards,	
diplomas,	11 40
Jos. Jones, advertising,	2 00
Peter A. Wales, repairing pump,	10 00
Lawrence Hays, use of well,	3 00
Patrick Feeney, " "	3 00
Thos. H. West, use of horse and	
chaise 1-2 day,	1 00
N. F. Roel, labor,	7 10
Snow, Boyden, & Knight, 6 pints	
Pierce's surface,	12 00
Woodman & Hammett, 12 sets alpha-	
bet blocks,	2 50
Taggard & Thompson, crayons,	7 75
Maynard & Noyes, ink,	6 75
Samuel F. Nichols, slates,	1 50
Charles H. Sargent, frames,	9 00
John V. Beal, bill of books, ink, &c.,	6 54
T. W. Whiting, labor and materials,	12 00
E. Moulton, " "	30 10
Linus Belcher, " "	14 25
Joseph Graham, " " "	18 41
J. D. F. Lyons, " "	4 00

Paid John L. Brown, glass and setting,	\$51 73
Winslow Alden, labor and material,	4 75
Geo. C. Platts, " "	3 10
Samuel Turner, " "	10 51
Wm. Campbell, bolts, nails, &c.,	3 75
Charles Belcher, labor and team,	3 22
L. Studley, repairing clock,	2 00
Magee Furnace Co., linings for stove,	2 50
S. G. Pearson, chalk erasers,	8 84
T. M. O'Niel, labor,	2 40
Sundry persons for labor and material,	4 33
Asia Mayhew, use of wagon to teachers' meetings,	2 45
N. P. Sprague, teams to teachers' meetings,	7 50
J. G. Poole, postage,	4 54 — \$1,130 11

Total Expense of Schools for Three Terms ending March 2d, 1868.

Paid for Teaching,	\$7,789 56
Fuel,	675 94
Care of Rooms,	579 25
Rent,	250 00
Furniture and Repairs,	1,130 11
Appropriation for Stetson High School,	300 00 — \$10,724 86

HIGHWAYS.

District Nos. 1, 8 & 10. EDSON M. ROEL, Surveyor.

Paid Edson M. Roel for labor and services,	26 3-8 days,	\$73 61
A. Mann, with 2 horses & cart	14 d,	79 92
" " with 1 " "	1 " "	3 50
Eph. Mann, 1 " "	2 " "	7 00
" " 2 " "	14 " "	79 92
Elisha Mann 2 " "	13 " "	74 16
Seth Mann, 2 " "	9 1-2 " "	54 03
J. Bump, 2 " "	1 " "	5 75
G.L. Binney 1 " "	1-2 " "	2 88
S. Mann 2d, hand, horse and cart	1 " "	3 50

Paid J. Hunt, with oxen and plough, 1-2 d.	\$3 00	
P. Riley, horse, cart and 2 boys, 1 "	3 15	
Ed. Donahoe, horse and cart, 1 1-5 "	4 00	
M. Buckley, horse, cart and boy, 1 1-2 "	6 48	
C. A. Roel, for labor, 15 1-10 d,	26 45	
Joseph Hunt, " 18 "	31 95	
James Harris, " 15 "	26 45	
Patrick Feeney, " 11 4-10 "	19 95	
James Lyons, " 13 9-10 "	24 30	
Royal T. King, " 16 2-5 "	30 35	
John Desmond, " 17 "	32 92	
James Gerald, " 1 "	2 00	
Daniel Kiley, " 2 "	3 50	
Daniel Lyons, " 6 "	11 50	
Paul Doud, " 5 9-10 "	10 30	
John Mullins, " 5 "	9 00	
Timothy M. O'Niel, " 1 1-2 "	3 00	
Dennis Kellaher, " 2 "	3 87	
Thomas Ward, " 1 "	2 00	
Patrick Bohan, " 3 "	6 00	
John Gill, " 3 "	6 00	
Michael Hurley, " 1 1-2 "	3 00	
Leonard Thayer, " 1-2 "	1 00	
Thomas Harty, " 1 1-2 "	3 00	
John Reynolds, " 1 "	2 00	
Michael Buckley, " 1-2 "	1 00	
M. Keefe and boy, " 1 "	2 50	
M. Hurley and boy, " 1 "	1 75	
William Hill, " 3 "	2 25	
C. Desmond, " 2 "	1 50	
Michael Lyons, " 3 "	2 25	
H. Briggs, " 1 "	1 00	
Moses Mann, " 4-5 "	1 80	
E. Donahoe, for 12 loads stone and carting,	3 00	
Sundry persons for picking stones, &c.,	35 58	
" " for gravel,	4 87	
Abel B. Berry, " "	4 80	
John Wales, " "	2 88	
Ephraim Mann, " "	2 40	
Edward Donahoe, " "	3 68	
J. Spear, (Guardian) " "	2 56	
Seth Mann 2d, " "	42 96	
Philip Riley, " "	10 00	
Charles Belcher, " "	5 64	
B. L. Wales, " "	9 96	\$811 90

District No. 2. HIRAM BELCHER, Surveyor.

Paid H. Belcher, with team,	17 1-2 d,	\$84 00
" " horse and cart,	5 "	17 50
L. S. Belcher, with team,	5 "	24 50
" " labor,	8 "	14 00
Geo. Belcher, "	19 1-2 "	34 12
W. B. Belcher, horse and cart,	1-2 "	1 50
Phineas Davis, labor,	17 1-2 "	30 62
Ward C. Dean, "	3 "	5 25
John Pratt, "	3 "	5 25
Festus Drew, "	11 "	17 50
Martin Curtis, "	1 "	1 75
Webster Stevens, "	1 "	1 75
Allen Smith, "	3 "	5 25
Alpheus Hunt, "	3 "	5 25
C. French, horse and cart,	3 "	10 50
J. A. Blood, " " 2 1-2 "		8 75
J. B. Lovering, horse and cart,	2 1-2 "	8 75
Boys, picking stones,		3 50
Zenas French and others, for 283 loads gravel,		20 76 — \$300 50

District No. 3. LEMUEL WENTWORTH, Surveyor.

Paid Lemuel Wentworth, labor,	24 1-4 d,	\$61 25
E. Mann, with 2 horses & cart,	1 "	5 50
Eph. Mann, " " 1 "		5 50
" " horse, cart and boy	1 1-2 "	3 75
" " 2 horses and man, ploughing,		4 75
" " horse, cart and hand,	1 "	3 50
" " " " and 2 "	1-2 "	2 75
" " 2 horses, cart & 2 hands,	1-2 "	8 00
A. Mann, horse, cart and 2 hands,	1-2 "	3 37
Loring Binney, 1 hand 3 days and horse and cart,	1-2 "	6 50
Joshua Hunt, hand, team, and gravel,		3 39
" " oxen and hand,	1 "	6 00
" " team drawing scraper,		4 50
Moses Mann, labor,	12 1-2 "	21 37
Ansel Mann, "	10 "	17 24
Geo. Meader, "	1 4-5 "	3 24
George Gerald, "		61
Boy picking stones,		2 00

Paid Ansel Mann for 28 loads gravel,	\$2 24
Ephraim Mann 37 " "	2 96—\$168 4

District No. 4. GIDEON HOWARD, Jr., Surveyor.

Paid Gideon Howard, Jr., for labor, 9 1-2 d,	\$17 38
" " horse and cart, 3	4 50
" " with horse and cart, 6	21 00
Moses B. Howard, labor, 9	16 50
Morton Howard, " 9	16 50
" " with horse and cart 6	21 00
E. S. Belcher, " 2	7 00
" " labor, 3	6 00
Aug. Belcher, horse and cart, 5 1-2	19 75
Joseph Conway, labor, 3	6 00
Joseph Young, " 7	12 25
D. W. Drummond, " 7	12 25
Gilmore White, " 1 3-4	3 06
Jos. T. Hobart, " 4	7 00
Eben'r Austin, " 4	7 00
Sundry persons, "	1 85
Eben'r Tucker, for 90 loads gravel a 4 cts.	3 60
Daniel Faxon, 36 " " 6	2 16—\$184 80

District No. 5. AMASA CLARK, Surveyor.

Paid Amasa Clark, labor, 10 d,	\$15 00
C. H. Dyer, team and hand, 5 1-2	20 25
Jere. Bump, " " 5 3-4	20 13
A. C. Kimball, labor, 9	14 22
Charles Kimball, " 6 1-2	5 00
J. Bump, 2 horses, cart and hand, 4 1-2	25 87
Rufus A. Thayer, 2 horses, cart and hand, 4	23 00
C. M. Holbrook, labor, 7 1-4	14 50
Jedediah French, " 9	18 00
Lewis Jones, " 5	8 75
Noah Chessman, " 10 1-2	18 37
Geo. Pierce, " 3	6 00
Alonzo Chessman, picking stones, .	1 12
For sharpening tools,	50
Amasa Clark, 518 loads gravel, a 8 cts.	41 44—\$232 16

District No. 6. CHARLES McCARTY, Surveyor.

Paid C. McCarty, labor, 6 3-5 d,	\$13 20
" " hand, horse, and cart, 1	3 15
" " 2 hands, horse, and cart picking stones,	4 00

Paid C. McCarty, horse and cart,	1	day,	\$2 00
Ephraim Mann, drawing scraper,			19 75
Eph. Mann, 2 horses and cart,	2	"	12 00
Seth Mann, " " "	4	3-10 "	25 80
Adam F. Jones, horse, cart, and boy,	2	7-10 "	13 00
Michael Buckley, horse and cart,	3	"	10 50
" " labor,	3	"	5 25
James Grady, " "	3	"	4 50
Edward Robbins, " "	2	"	3 50
Richard Adams, " "	2	"	3 00
John Kiley, " "	2	1-2 "	3 75
Royal Abbott, " "	9	1-20 "	15 08
Preston Abbott, " "	9	1-20 "	9 05
John Crosby, " "	2	1-20 "	1 41
Sundry persons, picking stones &c.,			5 00
Joseph Mann, 286 loads gravel, a 4 cts.			11 44
Jona. Thayer, 20 " " "			80
Jacob Niles, 98 " " "			3 92
Loring Binney, 60 " " "			2 40—\$172 50

District No. 7. ADONIRAM J. DYER, Surveyor.

Paid A. J. Dyer, labor,	15	1-4 d,	\$26 59
J. A. Blood, with horse and cart,	7	9-10 "	27 63
Wales French, " " "	7	"	24 50
Moses W. Whitcomb, with horse and cart,	1	1-2 "	5 79
Moses W. Whitcomb, labor,	4	3-4 "	8 32
Jacob Buker, " "	11	3-4 "	20 57
Thomas Townsend, " "	8	2-5 "	14 78
Warren Crawford, " "	5	1-2 "	9 63
Martin Gay, " "	7	1-4 "	12 69
Richard Hogan, " "	3	3-4 "	5 69
Newton Townsend, " "	1	-2 "	88
Zaavan Jordan, ploughing,			38
Sundry bills, sharpening tools, &c.,			2 48
Eben'r Alden, 158 loads gravel, a 4 cts.,			6 32
Samuel Packard, 56 " " "			2 34
Patrick Mahon, 12 " " "			48—\$1

District No. 9. MASON LOVERING, Surveyor.

Paid Mason Lovering, labor,	23	2-5 d,	\$43 00
J. B. Lovering, horse and cart,	8	1-2 "	29 75
Simeon White, " " "	2	1-2 "	8 25
Hiram Belcher, stone, labor, and drawing scraper,			8 20

Paid Lewis S. Belcher, with 2 yoke of oxen and plough, 9 hours,		\$9 00
James B. Lovering, labor,	3 d,	6 00
Bradford R. Lovering, "	4 "	7 00
Albert Hunt,	9 "	15 75
Alvan Hunt,	1 "	2 00
Guilford White,	6 1-2 "	11 37
Edward Doyle,	7 1-2 "	13 12
John Spear,	1 2-5 "	2 45
Richard Barry,	1 "	2 00
John Gill,	1 "	2 00
Levi Greenwood,	3 "	6 00
C. Chivegne, 15 loads gravel, a 6 cts.		90
S. A. Vining, 159 " " "		9 54
James Holbrook, carting gravel over land, a 2 cts.,		3 18
James Holbrook, 4 loads gravel, a 6 cts.		24—\$179 75
<i>Building Roads as Ordered by the County Commissioners.</i>		
Paid E. M. Roel and others for widening part of Mt. Pleasant Square,		\$99 95
Do. do. Warren Street,		798 47—\$898 42
<i>Extra Repairs of Roads and Bridges.</i>		
Paid E. M. Roel and others for repairing roads on account of freshet,		\$40 23
Thomas West do.		13 50
Charles McCarty, do.		15 05
A. G. Swain, do.		26 75
Wm. W. Linfield, bill for gravel,		32 82
Austin Roel, blasting rocks and build- ing bridges,		147 87
Ephraim Mann, labor and material for bridges,		19 20
J. C. Rhines, lumber for railing,		5 97
T. W. Whiting, labor railing bridges,		3 72
Sullivan Jones, labor on road,		2 62
Henry Newcomb for bills paid,		4 62 —\$312 25
Total Expense of Repairing Highways,		\$3,429 86

REMOVING SNOW.

Paid Edson M. Roel, men and team,		\$131 46
Amasa Clark, " "		36 02
A. J. Dyer, " "		33 43
G. Howard, Jr. " "		69 80

Paid Mason Lovering, men and team,	\$42 70
C. S. Holbrook, " "	5 80
Samuel Baker, " and bills paid,	10 87
Hiram Belcher, " " "	20 40
Joseph Hunt,	5 60
Thomas Littlefield and others,	13 80
John Wales " "	6 60
Eleazer Beal, " "	4 50
Sullivan Jones,	3 75
Charles McCarty and others,	34 50
Sundry persons,	53 42—\$472 65

SUPPORT OF POOR IN ALMS HOUSE.

<i>Noble Linfield.</i>	
Paid R. P. Lombard, board 60 1-2 weeks,	\$121 00
<i>Ebenezer Holbrook.</i>	
R. P. Lombard, board 60 1-2 weeks,	\$121 00
N. A. Tolman, supplies,	5 00—\$126 00
<i>William Stetson.</i>	
R. P. Lombard, board 11 2-7 weeks,	\$22 50
<i>Ebenezer Thayer.</i>	
R. P. Lombard, board, 53 4-7 weeks,	\$107 25
<i>Sidney Mann.</i>	
R. P. Lombard, board, 4 3-7 weeks,	\$9 50
<i>Polly Copeland.</i>	
R. P. Lombard, board, 60 1-2 weeks,	\$105 87
<i>Eunice Delano.</i>	
R. P. Lombard, board, 60 1-2 weeks,	\$105 87
<i>Sarah Crane.</i>	
R. P. Lombard, board, 60 1-2 weeks,	\$105 87
<i>A. E. Bagley.</i>	
R. P. Lombard, board, 60 1-2 weeks,	90 75
Dr. F. Howard, medical attendance,	25 00—\$115 75
<i>Annie E. Alden.</i>	
R. P. Lombard, board, 60 1-2 weeks,	\$90 75
<i>Mrs. George Godwin and three children.</i>	
R. P. Lombard, board 42 weeks,	\$270 29
<i>Ellen Simpson and child.</i>	
R. P. Lombard, board, 5-7 weeks,	\$2 00

Celia Delano.

Paid P. R. Lombard, board 3-7 weeks,	\$1 00
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Jane Weathee.

Paid R. P. Lombard, board 13 weeks,	\$21 87
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Mary F. Howland.

Paid R. P. Lombard, board 8 weeks,	\$12 00
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Clothing, Bedding, &c., for Alms House.

Paid R. P. Lombard, for sewing, repairs, and		
medicine,	\$35 10	
R. P. Lombard, clothing and bedding,	69 97	
Josiah F. Field, repairing shoes,	11 00	
C. Morton, Jr., clothing and supplies,	104 46	
C. H. Dyer, supplies,	5 40	
D. W. Thayer, three tons coal,	25 50	
N. Rosenfeld, supplies,	61 29	
N. Howard for bedsteads,	10 00	
A. L. Stetson for shoes,	7 00	
R. W. Turner & Co., supplies,	4 10	
Dr. F. Howard, medical attendance,	2 50—	\$336 32
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Total,		\$1,553 84

RELIEF FOR POOR OUT OF ALMS HOUSE.

Margaret Hollis.

Paid Nathan Hollis, board to March 2d, 1868,	\$38 50	
A. J. Dyer, “	8 00	
J. Madan, “	18 50	—\$65 00

Sarah Faunce.

Paid Asia Mayhew for supplies,	\$9 00
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Lucius Hollis.

Paid Asia Mayhew, supplies	\$19 00
G. H. & C. Prescott, supplies,	5 00 —\$24 00

Thomas Reed.

Paid I. D. Page, supplies,	\$9 00
Asia Mayhew, “	9 50
Ralph Houghton, coffin and robe,	12 00
John Evans, digging grave,	2 00
Henry D. Holbrook, services,	6 00 —\$38 50

Paid Treasurer of State Nautical School for	
Winfield S. Weathee, Napo-	
leon B. Weathee, and John	
Carrivan,	\$55 63

Alexander Holbrook, wife and five children.

Paid I. D. Page, supplies,	\$160 00	
Joseph Jones Jr., wood,	23 00	
Dr. E. A. Allen, medical attendance,	45 00	—\$228 00

Stephen Hayden.

Paid I. D. Page, supplies,	\$29 00	
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Gideon Howard, 3d.

Paid Gideon Howard, Jr., board,	\$55 00	
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Wife and child of B. F. Kennedy.

Paid Josiah Thayer, board and care,	\$308 00	
E. A. Allen, medical attendance,	10 50	—\$318 50

Henry M. Jones.

Paid Lavinia Simpson, board,	\$114 00	
C. Morton, Jr., clothing,	5 30	

William Stetson.

Paid Howard, French, & Co.,	\$5 50	
G. H. & C. Prescott,	50	—\$6 00

Mrs. Philip Kenney and three children.

Paid Jesse Fenno, supplies,	\$9 20	
James Denahey, rent,	24 75	
C. Morton, Jr., clothing,	40 77	
R. W. Turner, supplies,	220 00	
Ephraim Mann, wood,	12 00	
D. W. Thayer, coal,	8 50	
N. A. Tolman, "	4 50	
Edmund Shay, rent,	20 00	
Dr. F. Howard, medical attendance,	11 00	—\$350 72

Edwin & Mary Chessman.

Paid Samuel Chessman, board,	\$184 00	
Dr. E. A. Allen, medical attendance,	7 50	—\$191 50

Jonathan Mann and wife.

Paid Joseph Jones, Jr., wood,	\$6 75	
Asia Mayhew, supplies,	9 00	
Delazon Mann, board,	8 00	
Jonathan Mann, cash,	20 00	
Moses Mann, board,	27 00	—\$70 75

Ebenezer Thayer and wife.

Paid Moses French, wood,	\$3 00	
Elizabeth Pendergrass, board,	4 50	
A. Reynolds, board,	71 64	—\$79 14

Mrs. James Kennedy and two children.

Paid George H. Wilkins, supplies,	\$74 33	
James F. Dargan, "	102 00	

Paid C. H. Mann, wood,	\$14 00
B. O. Mann, "	6 00
E. Moulton, rent,	34 00
C. Morton, Jr., clothing,	15 00
Dr. F. Howard, medical attendance,	20 50—\$265 83

Bradford W. Sylvester, wife and three children.

Paid G. H. Wilkins, supplies,	\$10 45
N. A. Tolman, "	60 00
Levi Briggs, "	35 00
E. & G. Belcher, "	1 50
Cyrus Porter, "	3 60
C. Morton, Jr., clothing,	15 00
E. W. Lothrop, rent,	47 00
D. P. Lothrop, nursing,	5 00
Geo. Talbot, wood,	32 00
Dr. S. S. Gifford, medical attendance,	31 25
Dr. F. Howard, " " "	20 00
Ralph Houghton, coffin for child,	5 00
Charles Packard, digging grave,	1 50—\$267 30

Richard Carey wife and four children.

Paid I. D. Page, supplies,	\$18 00
N. A. Tolman, coal,	1 25 —\$19 25

John A. Sylvester, wife and child.

Paid A. J. Mann, wood,	\$10 50
Joshua Mann, rent,	6 25
G. H. & C. Prescott, supplies,	84 00
Fare of child to Lancaster,	3 00—\$103 75

J. W. Sylvester.

Paid Dr. F. Howard, medical attendance,	\$5 00
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Mrs. Eunice Eddy.

Paid I. D. Page, supplies,	\$70 02
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Charlotte J. Alden.

Paid Jane Alden, board and nursing,	\$14 00
Dr. E. A. Allen, medical attendance,	1 00 —\$15 00

Sarah M. Jones and child.

Paid Asia Mayhew, supplies,	\$29 07
C. Morton, Jr., clothing,	8 99
D. W. Curtis, rent,	4 00
G. H. & C. Prescott, supplies,	15 50
Dr. E. A. Allen, medical attendance,	8 00 —\$65 56

Mrs. Wendell Beal.

Paid F. Porter, medicine,	2 25
H. Dodge, supplies,	11 00
I. D. Page, "	5 00

Paid G. T. Jones, supplies,	\$11 00	
R. W. Turner, "	18 00	
Ephraim Mann, wood,	4 50	
C. H. Mann, "	7 87	—\$59 62

Mrs. Cornelius McDonald and children.

Paid N. A. Tolman, supplies,	15 00	
R. W. Turner, "	48 70	
Ephraim Mann, wood,	8 00	
D. W. Thayer, coal,	8 50	—80 20

Mrs. Amanda Lowell and one child.

Paid N. A. Tolman, supplies,	57 50	
G. H. & C. Prescott, supplies,	16 48	
John W. Kelly, rent,	30 60	
Caleb H. Dyer, "	17 50	
Joseph Jones, wood,	7 00	
C. Morton, Jr., clothing,	2 30	
Dr. F. Howard, medical attendance,	3 00	—134 38

Mrs. Michael Murphy and three children.

Paid N. A. Tolman, supplies,	165 93	
C. Morton, Jr., clothing,	8 14	
Luke O. Reily, rent,	28 50	
Jesse Fenno, supplies,	9 11	
D. W. Thayer, coal,	10 04	
B. Dickerman, wood,	3 50	
Ephraim Mann, "	4 50	
Ira Thayer, "	3 50	
Ralph Houghton, coffin and robe for Mr. Murphy,	12 00	
Dr. F. Howard, medical attendance,	26 00	—271 21

Ann F. Thager.

Paid Horatio Packard, board,	71 25	
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Mrs. Joseph P. Davis and three children.

Paid Thomas West, wood,	8 88	
Moses French, "	18 12	
D. W. Thayer, coal,	8 50	
H. H. Packard & Co., supplies,	8 01	
M. Branley, rent,	17 31	—60 82

Betsey Marshal.

Paid Caroline Faunce, board,	7 50	
C. Morton, supplies,	3 25	
G. H. & C. Prescott, supplies,	1 73	
Dr. F. Howard, medical attendance,	6 50	—18 98

State Lunatic Hospital.

Paid for Royal T. Beal, (Refunded.)	\$206 53	
Diantha Hobart,	206 24	
Triphena Niles,	201 29	
Rebecca R. Orcutt,	49 32	
William T. Eaton,	100 04	—\$763 42

Hannah Godwin and three children.

Paid A. L. Stetson, board,	26 06	
C. Morton, Jr., supplies,	2 69	—28 75

Betsey Jones.

Paid George Eddy, board,	37 50	
Remembrance Jones, board,	49 50	
F. Porter, supplies and medicine,	29 49	
Dr. E. A. Allen, medical attendance,	8 00	—124 49

Mrs. Elbridge G. Stetson and family.

Paid H. Dodge, supplies,	43 00	
G. T. Jones, "	30 00	
N. A. Tolman, "	6 00	
Ralph Houghton, coffin and robe for child,	12 00	
A. C. Kimball, digging grave,	1 50	
Dr. E. A. Allen, medical attendance,	36 00	—128 50

Lydia Smith.

Paid R. H. Curry, board,	6 00	
G. H. & C. Prescott, supplies,	101 91	
T. E. Wortman, stove, &c.,	3 50	
Dr. F. Howard, medical attendance,	7 00	—118 41

Jonathan Thayer.

Paid Dr. F. Howard, medical attendance,	8 50	
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Ellen Maria Thayer and child.

Paid Leonard Thayer, board,	39 00	
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Polly Hall.

Paid John Hall, board,	26 00	
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Benjamin Brown, wife and seven children.

Paid R. W. Turner, supplies,	98 00	
N. A. Tolman, "	21 22	
C. Estabrook, and others, express and cash paid,	24 05	
C. Morton, Jr., clothing,	32 20	
N. Rosenfeld, "	9 75	
F. Porter, supplies and medicine,	35 06	
J. Fenno, supplies,	10 03	
Ephraim Mann, wood,	8 00	—238 31

Elias Cole.

Paid John Jones, board,	\$72 00	
C. Morton, Jr., clothing,	5 22	
Dr. E. A. Allen, medical attendance,	4 00	—\$81 22

Ira Howard and family.

Paid G. H. & C. Prescott, supplies,	78 50	
Ephraim Mann, wood	4 50	
Josiah Clark, supplies,	2 00	
George J. Leeds, rent,	40 00	
Dr. F. Howard, medical attendance,	4 00	—129 00

Catharine Curtis.

Paid for supplies in cash,	54 00	
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Isaac Johnson

Paid Nahum Johnson, board,	52 00	
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Lysander C. Morse.

Paid C. Morton, Jr., clothing,	4 65	
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Mrs. Hellen Hollis and three children.

Paid S. Loud, board,	56 00	
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Widow Ruth Hobart.

Paid Thomas West, wood,	17 50	
S. B. Hobart, cutting,	3 00	
Daniel Faxon, supplies,	115 68	—136 18

Crawford Children.

Paid N. A. Tolman, supplies,	23 00	
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Aaron Leavitt and family.

Paid town of Braintree, for supplies,	10 10	
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Harvey E. Raymond and family.

Paid Adam F. Jones, wood,	3 00	
G. H. & C. Prescott, supplies,	10 00	—13 00

Charles Pool.

Paid Dr. F. Howard, medical attendance,	2 00	
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Family of F. A. Alden.

Paid town of Quincy for support,	156 00	
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William Tillson.

Paid Asia Mayhew, supplies,	4 00	
I. D. Page, "	3 00	
G. T. Jones, "	3 00	—10 00

Charles Pero.

Paid Simeon White, coal,	8 50	
H. H. Packard, supplies,	49 53	
Dr. H. B. Storer, medicine,	5 15	—63 18

George Clark and family.

Paid G. T. Jones, supplies,	\$20 00
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Total,	\$5,433 93
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POOR OF OTHER TOWNS.

DARTMOUTH.—Susan Hicks and family.	
Paid for supplies,	\$64 28
EAST BRIDGEWATER.—Susanna Winnett.	
For supplies,	128 50
QUINCY.—Mrs. Swain.	
For supplies,	5 00
QUINCY.—Ann Hunt and family.	
For supplies,	99 70
WESTFORD.—James Kemp Jr. and wife.	
For supplies,	20 25
STOUGHTON.—William Taunt and family.	
For supplies,	5 50
BOSTON.—Joseph Young and family.	
For supplies,	10 00
BRAINTREE.—Susan H. Tower.	
For supplies,	6 50
METHUEN.—Elizabeth & Martha Farnum.	
For supplies,	48 00
WEST BRIDGEWATER.—Abbie Fadden.	
For supplies,	42 12
NORTH BRIDGEWATER.—Albert Howard & family.	
For supplies,	107 00
ABINGTON.—George O. Orcutt & family.	
For supplies,	65 33
BOSTON.—Elias Miller.	
For supplies,	38 88
SOUTH SCITUATE.—Benjamin Ford.	
For supplies,	5 00
Total,	\$646 04

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURES FOR THE POOR.

Paid R. C. Lombard, 343 meals to 174	
travellers,	86 25
I. D. Page, supplies to Robt. Green,	21 00
For wood to F. W. Blanchard,	3 00
Ralph Houghton, coffin for child of P.	
Myers,	9 00
Ralph Houghton, coffin for child of Fran-	
cis Rooney,	4 00
Dr. E. A. Allen, medical attendance,	25 00
Fares of sundry persons,	2 40
Relief to sundry persons,	28 85
N. A. Tolman, supplies to M. O. Keefe,	6 50—\$186 00

FUNERAL EXPENSES.

Paid A. G. Swain, attending 1 funeral,	2 00
Ralph Houghton " 58 "	58 00
Mason Lovering, " 10 "	25 00
John Long, horse to 81 funerals,	122 50
Nathan Pendergrass, storing hearse one	
year,	10 00
A. H. Stark, painting and varnishing	
hearse,	12 00—\$229 50

STATE AID.

Paid sundry persons as per account returned to State, \$6,259 55

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid sundry bills (for items see report of Engineers) \$4,582 61

ABATEMENTS ON TAXES.

Paid John Adams, collector, 1865,	\$81 40
E. M. Roel, " 1866,	114 00
" " " 1867,	450 50—\$645 90

ENLARGING TOWN HOUSE.

Paid Peterson & Alden, as per contract,	
(balance,)	\$1,235 32
S. S. Woodcock, balance of bill,	169 68
John L. Brown, extra painting,	208 61
G. W. Bryant & Co, memorial tablets,	1,250 00—\$2,863 61

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid Auditors for 1867,	\$6 00
Adoniram White, services as School Committee to Mar. 10, 1867,	15 00
Wales B. Thayer, services as School Committee to Mar. 10, 1867,	20 25
W. E. Jewell, services as School Com- mittee 9 1-2 days,	14 25
Engineers for Services to May 1, '67,	35 00
John Adams, balance for collecting tax, 1865,	133 63
Edson M. Roel, collecting tax, 1866,	268 00
J. White Belcher, services as Selectman, Assessor, and Overseer of the Poor,	250 00
" Services on State Aid,	100 00
Nath'l Howard, services as Selectman, Assessor, and Overseer of the Poor,	250 00
" Services on State Aid,	100 00
Jacob Whitcomb, services as Selectman, Assessor, and Overseer of the Poor,	250 00
" Services on State Aid,	100 00
Wales B. Thayer, services as School Committee,	92 50
Thomas West, services as School Com- mittee,	75 00
Austin B. French, Services as School Committee,	67 50—\$1,777 13

LAND DAMAGE AS AWARDED BY COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS.

Paid Geo. Wild, Mt. Pleasant Square,	\$50 00
Levi Briggs, " "	30 00

Paid Eliza French, Mt. Pleasant Square,	\$190 00
Thomas Daly, " "	15 00
J. D. F. Lyons, " "	25 00
Hugh Clark, Warren Street,	325 00
H. B. Alden, " "	125 00
H. B. Alden, Jr., " "	650 00
Bernard McMahan, " "	125 00
Edmund Shay, " "	325 00
E. E. Kingman, " "	400 00—\$2,260 00

BUILDING PRESCOTT SCHOOL HOUSE.

AUSTIN B. FRENCH, <i>Chairman</i> ,	} Building Committee.
WALES B. THAYER,	
THOMAS WEST,	
EBENEZER MOULTON.	

Paid Jos. N. DuBois for land,	\$1,200 00
S. H. L. Pierce, for building house	
as per contract,	13,959 18
George Ropes, architect,	300 00
E. M. Roel and others, labor on yard,	385 45
Austin Roel " "	121 30
Ephraim Mann, labor with team,	127 00
John B. Thayer, mason work,	493 43
M. Hooper & Co., bricks,	423 00
Crofts & Word, lime and cement,	140 05
Henry N. Hooper, bell and hanging,	102 85
W. G. Shattuck, desks, chairs, &c.,	352 40
Sundry persons, labor and material,	441 79—\$18,046 45

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid Randolph Nat'l Bank, for iron vault,	
desks, counters and fixtures	
for Selectmen's room,	\$600 00
E. W. Holmes, printing Town Re-	
ports, (1200)	194 50
A. Folsom & Sons, J. Bumstead and	
others, labor and material	
furnishing and fitting up	
Selectmen's room,	234 17
J. L. Brown, labor and material,	28 97
G. W. & F. Smith, keys, lock and la-	
bor on safe,	35 00

Paid Lemuel Wentworth, labor and material on Scraper, &c.,	\$53 28
County Commissioners, laying out part of Mt. Pleasant Square,	51 65
County Commissioners, laying out Warren Street,	110 15
Eleazer Beal, services surveying and plans,	31 50
R. W. Turner, insurance,	243 00
Seth Mann. 2d, "	222 75
J. White Belcher, "	190 50
John Adams, "	8 80
Hon. Charles Allen, for decision on Soldiers' Bounty, as per vote,	25 00
Edson M. Roel and others grading Town House yard,	126 80
John B. Thayer and John Long (one half the expenses) for building reservoir,	425 20
Seth Mann, 2d, Executor, interest on Bigelow note,	24 00
Wales French,	21 00
Hon. Thos. Russell, services consecrating memorial tablets,	50 00
Nelson Mann, expenses of Band,	10 00
C. Estabrook, entertainment for Band,	26 00
T. E. Wortman, stove, pipe, for Selectmen's room,	32 19
Morris & Whyte, gravel screen,	12 00
E. W. Holmes, printing tax bills, warrants, notices, &c.,	46 32
Joseph Jones, advertising warrant and notices,	18 75
J. E. Nash, clock for Stetson Hall,	32 60
Sundry persons, books, stationery, &c.,	39 53
H. A. Davis, one set standard measures,	37 50
Thomas West, services in small pox case, &c.,	21 00
John G. Poole, postage,	10 54
C. A. Roel & G. B. Nichols, distributing town reports,	3 00
C. Estabrook, express and cash paid.	31 22
Edson M. Roel, collector, expenses proving claims in insolvent estates,	13 30

Paid E. M. Roel, services & expenses selling	
Fearless Engine House,	\$5 00
H. C. Alden, services on Bank returns,	5 00
Charles Howland, services at Prescott	
School House,	70 00
M. M. Alden, and others, building	
fence on Town House lot,	36 05
M. M. Alden, and others, repairs on	
Alms house, &c.,	63 16
J. L. Brown, repairs,	3 31
T. E. Wortman, services as constable,	10 00
" " repairs and material on	
lockup,	27 73
Leopold Morse & Co., repairs on lockup	8 00
G. A. Burrell and others, services at	
lockup,	30 00
Town of Quincy, stone monuments,	8 50
Charles Howland, services in Town	
Hall,	6 00
Selectmen, expenses to Boston 12 times,	
N. Bridgewater, Dorchester,	
Roxbury, Stoughton, So. Read-	
ing, Taunton, on town business	
and State Aid,	27 00
Lawrence White, ringing bell for town	
meetings,	5 00
Isaac Niles, distributing envelopes,	2 00
E. M. Roel, bills paid on snow-scraper,	12 00
John L. French, bill for labor and team,	20 50
Pliny H. Woodbury, cutting wood for	
Selectmen's room,	2 25
W. H. Warren, services as constable,	
distributing town reports, &c.	18 00 —\$3,384 56

RECAPITULATION.

Paid for Schools, term ending March	
10, 1867,	3,036 82
Schools, three terms, ending March	
2, 1868,	9,594 75
Furniture & Repairs,	1,130 11
Highways,	2,219 09
New roads,	898 42
Extra Repairs on Roads & Bridges,	312 25
Removing snow,	472 65

Paid Relief of Poor in Alms House,	\$1,553 84	
“ “ out of Alms House,	5,433 93	
“ “ other towns,	646 04	
Miscellaneous expenses of Poor,	186 00	
Funeral expenses,	229 50	
State Aid,	6,259 55	
Fire Department,	4,582 61	
Abatements on Taxes,	645 90	
Enlarging Town House,	2,863 61	
Land Damage,	2,260 00	
Town Officers,	1,777 13	
Prescott School House,	18,046 45	
Miscellaneous expenses,	3,384 56	—\$65,533 21

The undersigned, Auditors of Accounts for the town of Randolph, for the year ending March 2d, 1868, have carefully examined the accounts of the Selectmen, and find them correct and properly vouched.

ROYAL W. TURNER,	} Auditors.
NATHAN. A. TOLMAN;	
THOMAS WEST,	

LIQUOR AGENCY.

Franklin Porter, agent, in account with the Town from Feb. 18th, 1867, to March 2d, 1868.

DR.

To stock on hand Feb. 18, 1867,	\$32 27	
Profits of Agency,	215 00	—\$247 27

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By stock on hand, March 2d, 1868,	\$28 07	
Stock sold,	4 20	
U. S. License paid,	25 00	
Salary of Agent,	100 00	
Due town,	90 00	—\$247 27

EXPENDITURES FOR 1868.

The Selectmen present the following estimate of the current expenses for the consideration of the town. And in presenting the same, wish it to be understood that it is only to provide for the several items named in the following list and that any additional expenditures must be provided for by special vote, or added to the town debt. The amount estimated for interest the current year (\$6000.00) is sufficient to remind all that the town debt is already too large. It is earnestly recommended that whatever expenditures may be made, such sums shall be raised by taxation the present year. In consequence of the general depression in business and in consideration that so large a proportion of personal property under existing national laws is exempt from taxation, the town will not probably think it advisable to make large outlays except for purposes really necessary or expedient.

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES.

For Schools, (Estimate of School Committee)

	\$10,000 00
Incidentals for Schools,	800 00
Highways,	3,000 00
Interest,	6,000 00
Town Debt,	5,000 00
Alms House Expenses,	1,500 00
Poor out of the Alms House,	5,500 00
General Town Expenses,	5,000 00
*Fire Department. (pay of men and repairs,)	2,500 00—\$39,300 00

TOWN DEBT.

It will be observed by examining the account of the Treasurer that the balance against the town has largely increased since the last report, Feb. 1st, 1864. This increase is accounted for principally, in consequence of the town, at its last annual meeting, making and authorizing appropriations for the following purposes, without providing for the payment of the same.

Prescott School House,	\$18,046 45
Extra term of Schooling,	3,036 82
Reservoir, (one half the expense)	425 20
Land Damage awarded by County Commissioners,	2,260 00

*See report of Engineers.

Building roads ordered by County
Commissioners,

\$898 42—\$24,666 89

The town debt having now reached a very formidable sum, requiring large annual appropriations for interest, the Selectmen have been impressed with the necessity of funding it in such a manner as shall place the town free from any embarrassment that would be likely to arise in the event of a sudden call for the payment of any considerable portion of the principal of the demand liabilities. The Selectmen during the winter have been notified by various parties holding notes that payment would be required the coming spring or an enhanced rate of interest paid, claiming that, after deducting taxes, an adequate compensation for the use of money was not received. Up to the present time the town has not paid more than six per cent interest, while very many of the cities and towns of the Commonwealth have been obliged to pay from one to three per cent per annum more or to sell six per cent bonds at a marked discount. With these considerations in view, and under a vote of the town passed March, 1864, authorizing such a course, the Committee appointed for the purpose, having unexpectedly a favorable opportunity, have borrowed of the Treasurer of the State of Massachusetts the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand dollars, payable in yearly installments of Five Thousand dollars, commencing March 1st, 1869, with semi-annual interest at six per cent. The amount so received has been applied to the payment of outstanding notes, giving such holders in town as desired the privilege of still retaining their notes. It may be expedient to pass a vote at the annual meeting confirming the action of the Committee heretofore chosen, hence the Selectmen have inserted an article in the warrant for that purpose.

ALMS HOUSE.

The expenses in the Alms House have been nearly double those of any former year, and the number of inmates has been proportionally large. This institution is not what it should be. The building needs to be enlarged and repaired so as to make a comfortable home for those of our people who are necessitated to live there.

POOR OUT OF THE ALMS HOUSE.

The expenditures in this department have been largely increased the past year, partly by the general depression in business, the severity of the winter months, and partly by the operation of an act of the Legislature of 1865, relating to the

settlement of soldiers and their families, and while this town has expended generously, (under our present system) to support and relieve those who were in distress, yet towns who have comfortable and commodious Alms Houses and a farm connected therewith, under proper management, with a population in number and character like our own, have supported their poor for the last five years at less than half the expense it has cost this town. It is a subject worthy of consideration, whether the same system will not apply to this as to other towns, and the receiver as well as the giver of charity be benefitted thereby.

Respectfully submitted,

J. WHITE BELCHER, } Selectmen
NATHANIEL HOWARD, } of
JACOB WHITCOMB. } Randolph.

Rate of Taxation in the several towns in Norfolk County, for the year 1867.

	Rate per thousand.		Rate per thousand.
Bellingham,	\$16 50	Needham,	\$14 00
Braintree,	15 20	Quincy,	17 00
Brookline,	8 00	Randolph,	18 00
Canton,	13 60	Roxbury,	19 00
Cohasset,	12 80	Sharon,	16 80
Dedham,	16 50	Stoughton,	20 40
Dorchester,	13 00	Walpole,	17 50
Dover,	18 30	West Roxbury,	17 40
Foxborough,	14 60	Weymouth,	16 90
Franklin,	16 00	Wrentham,	16 00
Medfield,	13 00	Average rate throughout	
Medway,	19 80	the State,	17 20
Milton,	13 00		

THE SOLDIER'S MEMORIAL TABLETS.

The following list contains the names of eighty-one patriotic citizens of Randolph, which by a vote of the town have been placed upon Marble Tablets, erected in Stetson Hall, and were consecrated to their memory Dec. 24th, A. D. 1867.

[INSCRIPTION.]

A. D. 1867.

Erected by the town of Randolph to perpetuate the memory of its patriotic citizens who voluntarily entered, and fell in their country's service, during the war of the GREAT REBELLION.

Horace Niles.
 William Palmer.
 George Henry.
 John Dunton.
 Richmond Blencowe.
 Seth C. Bean.
 Levi A. Brundage.
 Theodore Compass.
 Richard H. Cox.
 Joel King.
 James Jones.
 Henry Keily.
 Edward McMahon.
 Albert M. May.
 Daniel Ricardon.
 John F. Riley.
 George S. Sloan.
 Joseph V. Sloan.
 Warren C. Turner.
 Charles E. Hunt.

William F. Gill.
 Frederick M. Wortman.
 Ephraim T. Cole.
 Sidney A. Mann.
 Cornelius Desmond.
 Stephen C. Yeaton.
 John A. Law.
 Charles D. Hodge.
 John A. Kennedy.
 Adoniram J. Townsend.
 Frederick Nightingale.
 Cornelius Murphy.
 John H. Baker.
 Elbridge G. Simpson.
 Herbert C. Blood.
 Otis Crooker.
 George H. Croak.
 Phillip Donahoe.
 John W. Heath.
 Maurice Twohig.

J. Wilson Ingell.
George Washburn.
Matthew Clark, Jr.
Cornelius Clark.
William H. Shed.
George B. White.
Edward McLaughlin.
Charles L. Thayer.
W. Leander White.
Seth M. Harris.
John Q. A. Sylvester.
Daniel O'Niel.
William M. Hobart.
John H. Gill.
John Foley.
John D. Flynn.
Alvan Faunce.
Henry Keily, 2d.
George W. Mann.
Thomas O'Halloran.

J. Frank Poole.
George Smith.
Henry Snow.
John P. Turner.
C. Payson Thayer.
Nelson L. Thayer.
Thomas F. Whitmarsh.
Michael Kelliher, Jr.
Philemon White.
Thomas E. Willis.
Edward K. Hobart.
William F. Hill.
Jerome R. Hodge.
Alson W. Thayer.
Zenas M. Hayden.
Garrett G. Barry.
James Hogan.
Job D. Harris.
Patrick Hand.
Loring Taunt.
Charles Weathee.

Dr. TOWN OF RANDOLPH IN ACCOUNT WITH H. C. ALDEN, TREASURER. Cr.

PAID Town Orders,		Balance	Received for Treasury Notes issued,		\$15,156 89
"	Treasury Notes,	\$65,653 21	Tax Bill 1867,		103,200 00
"	Interest on do.,	85,801 00	Salt Grass sold,		49,760 36
"	State Tax 1867,	6,868 43	Liquor Agent 1866,		65 50
"	Town Abington, overcharge,	15,800 00	Liquor Agent 1867,		87 50
"	C. O. Rogers and W. Flanders & Co., printing,	14 00	Guardian of R. T. Beal,		94 20
"	R. Houghton, bill for W. Palmer,	11 38	Rent of School House Dis. 9, and damage to door,		206 53
"	Town Clerk, collecting and recording 153 births,	30 00	State Treasurer, Corporation Taxes,		34 50
"	Sextons for returning and Town Clerk for recording 66 deaths,	45 90	State Treasurer, State Aid,		2,159 53
"	Stamps, paper, envelopes &c.,	7 95	State Treasurer, State Paupers,		6,000 00
"	H. C. Alden, Treasurer 13 months,	15 70	State Treasurer, School Fund,		5 00
Balance,		13 50	Randolph National Bank Dividends,		757 87
Bank Stock,	\$800 00	108 33	Cash Refunded, \$120, \$23.85		96 00
E. M. Roel, Tax 1867,	1,455 48	\$4,323 54	Town of Methuen, (Pauper)		143 85
Cash and Bills,	2,068 06		Town of Stoughton,		48 00
			Town of Quincy,		5 50
			Town of Dartmouth,		95 50
			Town of Abington,		67 28
			Town of Braintree,		79 33
			Town of Westford,		6 50
			Town of North Bridgewater, (Schooling)		20 25
			Town of North Bridgewater, (Pauper)		160 00
			Engine House sold,		107 00
			Old Iron,		145 00
			Thomas West, crayons, lumber and old materials,		40
			E. M. Roel, interest on Taxes 1866,		7 53
			J. Adams, am't due J. W. Howard,		181 17
					75
					\$178,691 94

The subscribers, Auditors of the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Town of Randolph for the year ending February 29, 1868, have examined the Accounts of Hiram C. Alden, Treasurer, with care, and have found the same correctly cast and properly vouched with suitable entries.

ROYAL W. TURNER,
NATHAN A. TOLMAN,
THOMAS WEST, }
AUDITORS.

STETSON SCHOOL FUND.

The investments of the above fund amount to Ten Thousand and Three Hundred Dollars (\$10,300) at their par value, and are as at the date of the last annual report, viz :

10 shares	Shawmut National Bank,	Boston,	\$1,000
10 "	Webster " "	"	1,000
10 "	Elliot " "	"	1,000
10 "	Hide & Leather National Bank,	"	1,000
10 "	Shoe & Leather, " "	"	1,800
10 "	Exchange " "	"	1,000
10 "	Boylston " "	"	1,000
10 "	Tremont " "	"	1,000
20 "	Old Boston " "	"	1,000
13 "	Randolph " "	"	1,300
			\$10,300

The current yearly account herewith presented shows a cash balance of Ten Hundred Thirty-One and 25-100 Dollars (\$1031.25) and a large portion of the same will be required to liquidate bills accrued and accruing, which from the organization of the school terms cannot be embraced in the financial year. The Trustees have very little matter to offer to the town in their report beyond representations so frequently made. They are however happy to say that the attendance upon Stetson School probably averages larger than in any other school of the higher class in town, the mean number being thirty-nine (39). While this attendance is gratifying to the Trustees, they cannot but express their regret that with so large a population, no greater number of qualified applicants claim the opportunities offered, fill the rooms to their utmost capacity, and render it incumbent upon them to call into service an assistant teacher, which they will most cheerfully do whenever the exigency may arise. The major portion of the pupils has the past year as heretofore consisted of girls, and al-

though the Trustees most cheerfully welcome the sex to the School, they would rejoice to see a larger per cent. age of male pupils, convinced as they are that very many of the youth that have since the formation of the school graduated from it, have reflected credit upon themselves, their teachers, and honored patron. The Trustees feel assured that discriminating friends and parents must be gratified with the progress made by the graduating class of the present year and other attending pupils. Mr. V. H. Deane continues in charge of the school.

THOMAS WHITE,
DANIEL HOWARD, } Trustees.
JOHN L. FRENCH, }

SETH TURNER, Secretary.

RANDOLPH, March 5, 1868.

The subscribers certify that they have examined the account of the "Trustees of the Stetson School Fund" and find the same correct, with the certificates of Bank Stock amounting to Ten Thousand and Three Hundred Dollars (\$10,300), and cash Ten Hundred Thirty-One and 25-100 Dollars (\$1031.25) in the hands of the Secretary, all as shown in the annexed statement.

J. WHITE BELCHER, } Selectmen
NATH'L HOWARD, } of
JACOB WHITCOMB, } Randolph.

RANDOLPH, March 5, 1868.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

To the Selectmen—Gentlemen :

The Engineers of the Fire Department of Randolph would respectfully report that the expenses of the department for the year have been as follows:

AQUARIUS, No. 1.

For the Year ending May 1st, 1867.

Paid I. Lovering, steward,	\$3 25	
E. G. French, horse to fire,	2 00	
49 men for services,	245 00	—\$250 25

For the Year up to March 2, 1868.

I. Lovering, steward,	15 50	
Hunneman & Co., repairs,	7 50	
W. H. Warren, repairs,	75	
Henry A. Hall, rubber suit,	11 00	
Hiram Belcher, drawing engine to fire,	3 00	—\$37 75
		<hr/> \$288 00

INDEPENDENCE, No. 2.

For the Year ending May 1st, 1867.

Paid John B. McGrane, 10 months,	\$17 12	
Charles McCarty for wrench,	2 00	
“ “ Alcohol,	1 87	
“ “ axe,	2 50	
“ “ sign board and painting,	6 00	
“ “ use of stoves and fuel		
10 months,	3 00	
50 men for services,	250 00	
R. C. Taylor, neat's foot oil,	6 00	
W. Cartwright, straps and repairs,	1 75	
T. E. Wortman,	3 11	
Henry A. Hall, rubber suit,	15 00	—\$308 35

For the Year up to March 2d, 1868.

John B. McGrane, steward,	19 00
Hunneman & Co., repairs,	29 00
John Shanley, sawing wood,	1 50

Paid John Loring, suction hose bar,	\$3 50	
R. W. Turner, oil, wicks, &c.,	4 31	
Charles McCarty, repairs,	2 55	
M. W. Baker, globe for lantern,	85	
W. Campbell, repairs,	39 50	
N. A. Tolman, 1 bbl. coal,	1 25	—\$101 46
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		\$409 81

FEARLESS, No. 3.

For the Year ending May 1st, 1867.

Paid Henry Dodge, steward,	\$3 75	
R. W. Turner, bill,	2 17	
50 men for services,	250 00	—\$255 92

For the Year up to March 2d, 1868.

S. Wilbur, steward,	\$16 45	
Henry A. Hall, rubber suit,	11 00	
M. W. Baker, 2 globes for lanterns,	1 70	
“ “ 2 burners,	40	
Shelton & Cheever, repairs on suction hose,	103 25	—\$132 80
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		\$388 72

RELIEF, No. 4.

For the Year ending May 1st, 1867.

Paid Ezra Whitcomb, steward,	\$7 00	
36 men for services,	180 00	—\$187 00

For the Year up to March 2d, 1868.

Henry A. Hall, rubber suit,	\$11 00	
Thomas West, repairs,	11 45	
Ezra Whitcomb, steward,	10 00	
Shelton & Cheever, repairs on suction hose,	12 75	—\$45 20
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		\$232 20

FIRE KING, No. 5.

For the Year ending May 1st, 1867.

Paid W. P. Sullivan, steward,	\$25 00	
G. W. Adams & Co., repairs,	2 25	
W. Cartwright, straps and belts,	6 56	
R. W. Turner, bill,	15 39	
50 men, services,	250 00	—\$299 20

For the Year up to March 2d, 1868.

Paid W. P. Sullivan, steward,	\$23 50	
W. Campbell, repairs,	8 00	
N. A. Tolman, 1 bbl. coal,	1 25	
Shelton & Cheever repairs on hose,	44 50	
John Long, drawing engine to fires	6 00	
E. E. Lothrop, 1 pipe,	20 00	—\$103 25
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		\$402 45

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

For the Year ending May 1st, 1867.

Paid Frank Porter, bill,	\$3 35	
Jacob Niles, land rent for 1862-63,	10 00	
Daniel Faxon, rent for 1866,	3 00	
Charles Estabrook, express,	6 72	—\$23 07

For the Year up to March 2d, 1868.

E. G. French, land rent,	\$10 00	
Daniel Faxon, " "	3 00	
Charles McCarty, rent of rooms for No. 2,	34 00	
J. L. Brown, setting glass,	2 80	
J. B. Thayer, repairs on No. 5 house,	6 75	
R. Houghton, stationery and postage,	4 44	
Shelton & Cheever, 3 badges,	3 00	
" " repairs,	1 50	
" " 304 feet leading hose,	592 80	
M. W. Baker, stoves, funnel, lamps, &c.	62 81	
Charles McCarty, lamps, &c..	7 50	
For filling reservoir,	57 65	
For building 2 cisterns under engine houses,	71 46	
M. M. Alden for seats in No. 3 house,	15 00	
Charles Estabrook, express,	7 40	
E. W. Holmes,	1 50	
For building two engine houses,	1,956 75	—\$2,838 36
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		\$2,861 43

RECAPITULATION.

	1867.	1868.	
Aquarius, No. 1,	\$250 25	\$37 75	\$288 00
Independence, No. 2,	308 35	101 46	409 81
Fearless, No. 3,	255 92	132 80	388 72
Relief, No. 4,	187 00	45 20	232 20
Fire King, No. 5,	299 20	103 25	402 45
Miscellaneous,	23 07	2,838 36	2,861 43
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			\$4,582 61

During the past year the department has been called out to the following fires :

April 7. Samuel L. White's house and barn on Franklin street. Cause accidental. Insured at Norfolk Mutual office for \$900.

May 24.—Patrick Wren's house on North street; caught from chimney. Insured at Norfolk Mutual Office for \$675; damage \$460.

June 15.—Philip Riley, shop on Liberty street. Cause unknown. Loss about \$100.

October 30.—S. S. Mann's barn on North Main street, containing about ten tons of English hay. Insured at Weymouth and Braintree Mutual office for \$210. Barn not insured; cause supposed to be incendiary.

December 11.—Isaac N. and H. M. French's house on Central street; caught from chimney. Loss \$900; insured.

Jan. 14, 1868.—James G. Hurley's house on Mill street, caught from chimney. Damage small; insured at Norfolk Mutual office.

Feb. 11.—E. Brigg's barn at East Stoughton; the engineers of that place sent to Randolph for assistance. The Fire King and Independence were sent, but their services were not required.

Feb. 16.—Nathan Freeman's house on Mount Pleasant Square, shed and porch burnt; cause unknown. Damage \$748; insured at a Boston office.

Feb. 23.—E. Tucker & Sons, manufacturing shop at East Stoughton. Assistance being again called for, the Fire King and Relief engines were present, and rendered valuable services.

The department at present is as efficient as at any time since its organization, having five Engines. Four of these belong to the town, and one (Fearless No. 3) to individuals in the north-west part of the town, which the town has kept in repair for the past three years, and for which there has been erected a commodious house at a cost of about one thousand dollars (as per vote of town) located near Mr. Josiah Clark's on North Main Street. The Engineers would again strongly recommend the purchase of this Engine, if the stockholders will sell their rights in the same at a price not exceeding cost.

The engines are all in good repair, and are manned by companies varying from fifty to seventy-five men, who are under good and efficient officers, whose aim it is to know and do their duty. We have purchased three hundred feet of leading hose, and are still in want of more, and would recommend an appropriation for the same.

We would ask that the town take some action in regard to the house now occupied by the Fire King Co. There must be some extensive repairs made on the present building to make it convenient for a company to occupy, and, taking into consideration its present condition, and that it is too small, without a hose tower, and otherwise very inconvenient, we think it would not be economy for the town to make such repairs as would be required. Therefore we would recommend the sale of the present house and the building of a new one, and the appropriation of the sum of one thousand dollars for the purpose in addition to what may be realized from the sale of the present house.

We would also state that, in accordance with the vote of the town, passed at our last annual meeting, the Engineers have located and caused to be built a reservoir in front of the town hall, holding twenty-two thousand gallons of water, and from which two engines can play for two hours, or more if necessary, and with sufficient hose could reach fires for quite a distance on North Main, South Main, North, South and Union streets, if occasion should require; the beneficial effects of which have already been felt by those who have had occasion to renew their policies of insurance. There is also a feeling of safety among those living in the vicinity, who now know that there is a sufficient quantity of water that is available at all times.

We have also caused to be constructed under the new houses built for the Independence, No. 2, and Fearless, No. 3, cisterns capable of holding from fifty to seventy-five barrels of water, and which will be of great value if fires occur in their vicinity; and we recommend that the town renew the vote passed at the last annual meeting in regard to reservoirs.

We have leased of Seth Mann, 2d, Esq., a lot of land on West street, on which the house lately built for Independence, No. 2, stands, at a rent of eight dollars a year; but we think it would be a matter of economy for the town to purchase this land, which was offered us last June for one hundred and thirty dollars.

The engineers would respectfully suggest that a Fire Police of sufficient force be appointed, whose duty it shall be to attend fires and see that the firemen are not obstructed in their work by those who do not belong to the department; also to see that buildings on fire, and those in the immediate vicinity, are not entered except by those legally authorized, and to take charge of all articles removed from such buildings; and also to prevent pilfering and stealing at fires; and that the said Police shall receive for their services the same pay as firemen.

We would state that in our estimation it will be necessary to raise the following sum to carry out the recommendations made in the foregoing report.

For the purchase of new hose and Fearless Engine,	\$900 00
New house for Fire King,	1,000 00
Repairs and incidental expenses,	850 00
Pay of Engine men,	1,250 00
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	\$4,000 00

Respectfully submitted,

A. W. WHITCOMB, Chief Engineer.

ABIAL HOWARD,	}	Assistant
W. H. WARREN,		
LEVI WILBUR,	}	Engineers.
THOMAS WEST,		
J. B. THAYER,		
R. HOUGHTON,		Clerk.

Randolph, March 2d, 1868.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

FINANCIAL.

The town appropriated for support of schools for the year	\$10,000.00
There has been received from other sources as follows:	
From the income of the State School Fund for 1867,	472.87
“ “ “ “ “ Coddington “	151.50
“ “ town of North Bridgewater for schooling,	160.00
Rent of school room, East Randolph,	32.50
Total,	<u>\$10,816.87</u>

The amount expended for support of schools for the year is as follows:

Paid for salaries to teachers,	\$7,789.56
“ “ care of rooms, &c.,	579.25
“ “ fuel,	675.94
“ appropriation to Stetson School,	300.00
“ for rent,	250.00
Total,	<u>\$9,594.75</u>

The town at the annual meeting omitted to make any appropriation for repairs or furniture. The statute prescribes, however, that the School Committee shall provide all things necessary for the comfort of the scholars. It prescribes, concerning books, that if any scholar is not furnished by parent or guardian with necessary books, he shall be supplied therewith by the School Committee at the expense of the town. There could be, therefore, no misunderstanding as to our duty. Under this head the amount expended during the year is \$1,130 11.

BUILDINGS AND OTHER SCHOOL PROPERTY.

There is need that some provision be made at the approaching annual meeting, for putting several of the school houses in good condition. School house No. 8 is almost entirely destitute of paint, and should be surprised with a new coat, having worn its old one twelve years. A similar remark applies to school house No. 4, and in hardly less degree to the No. 10 building. New fences are needed in many places. To put the fences in good condition would require not less than \$200. The attention of the town and of the incoming Committee, is called to an exceedingly dangerous locality within the school yard in Dist. No. 7. The town has already suffered heavy loss, and one life has been robbed of usefulness by causes similar to circumstances now existing at the same locality. It is evidently not particularly a safe proceeding to have, in a playground for fifty children, an unguarded perpendicular embankment with twenty feet descent.

It is a common practice of not a few families of children in the town to appear before every new committee for a new supply of books (at the expense of the town). It has been learned that these books have sometimes a very strange way of disappearing; probably under the process known as purchase and sale. In view of this and in view of the fact that such a proceeding would be a greater economy as well as a less temptation, it is recommended that hereafter no new books be given to scholars, but that when books are needed by children of indigent or careless parents, they be *loaned* to them, being in charge of the teacher, the property of the town.

It is proper here to congratulate the town, and more particularly the scholars who attend school in Dist. No. 8, upon the possession of the excellent accommodations furnished by the Prescott School House. Built at much less cost than that of similar structures which have been erected in some towns near us during the year, it is believed, for all the purposes of schools, to be one of the most complete and convenient houses in our vicinity. The two buildings ought now, with proper classification

of the schools, to furnish school privileges for all the children in that district.

THE CHANGE IN THE SCHOOL YEAR

Operates very unfavorably with the schools. The town instructed the committee to close the schools by March 1; the statute requires us to continue the High School until it shall have been taught 40 weeks. During the year some schools have suffered interruptions on account of sickness, and at March 1 had not completed their year. Your committee have found it impossible therefore, to comply literally with the vote of the town, and have done what seemed to be best. A greater argument against the present arrangement is this; by thus closing the schools March 1, while the appropriations for the year are not made until April, the schools cannot avoid a vacation of six or perhaps eight weeks in the very best part of the year. The only way in which the schools beginning in the middle of April can be taught a school year before the succeeding March 1st, is by continuing them through the summer months. In view of this the town should know that in March and April we can get an average attendance of 1050 children, while after the 4th of July the average attendance does not exceed 600; and further still, a school in the vigorous weather of spring accomplishes more than in the wilting weather of July and August. We distinctly affirm that the argument that by the former arrangement the expenditure can not be exhibited has no basis in fact; that such expenditures can be as fully and almost as easily exhibited under the one system as under the other.

ABSENCE.

There are in each district not a few families where the custom for parents to govern the children is reversed, and the children govern their parents,—and conquer in their desire to remain away from school. By the statistical part of the report it will be seen that while the whole number of scholars in the town is 1476 there are only 1282 enrolled as members of the schools,

leaving 194 who attend no school. Many of these have occupations which form good excuse. Of the large class, however, who fill the stores and frequent the shops many are growing up to become, first our rowdies, and afterwards our criminals. The rich, the respectable, the conservative, owe a *duty* to the ragged and smart little fellow in the street. Some provision should be made to prevent the growing up of a class of disreputable persons to inhabit the future town.

The statute provides that where there is not poverty or other equally good excuse, children between eight and fourteen shall attend school twelve weeks in every year; and, contrary to general opinion, there is a penalty provided for non-compliance with the law. Still, the process by which the law can be enforced, is tedious and complicated. It would be better for the town to enact a by-law, as under the statute it can do, and under the provision of a rigid system, compel these unwashed, saucy and smart little fellows to take a course of study. There is nothing concerning our schools of greater importance than this; and to this subject the attention of the town is earnestly invited.

The number of children in the town between the ages of five and fifteen years, as given above, is 1,476. As nearly as can be ascertained by the registers, 194 of this number do not attend any school, and 505 children upon the average are out of school every day. Thus is seen the need of some provision for truancy and absence from school.

TEXT BOOKS.

In general terms, you must not expect your employees to do good work with poor tools. And while it should be held that we ought not to retain in the town a teacher who could not upon necessity teach his or her school without *any* book, it must still be admitted and even claimed that good text books well used, and not misused, are an important assistance.

The Committee found at the beginning of the year the same text books that had been thumbed, cut, marked and studied by all the generations of boys and girls

who have graced or disgraced our school rooms for the last ten years.

Within ten years Napoleon III, Bismarck, and Secretary Seward have changed the geography of more than one country. Within a ten years that has witnessed the discovery of an entirely new theory of light, heat, and sound, that has seen the process of reaping wheat with cradles changed to reaping it with horses, and of sewing with needle and thimble changed to sewing with machine, ought to be found some improvements in the method of teaching. And yet the schools of the town were found with these old fashioned tools of ten years ago.

It would have been, perhaps, too great a burden to effect a change of all the text books in one year, so but a partial change has been made. Hillard's Readers, New Series, are now in use; and the different books upon grammar which in unknown ways had got themselves introduced into different PARTS of the town, not one of which was worth its weight in wood for giving to scholars any ability to use language correctly, have been supplanted by a book of as great value as small cost, viz: Kerl's Grammar. These changes, while they may have given to certain individuals some expense, have been made under a system which, if the whole town be considered, has been an actual economy.

TEACHING.

Teaching is in itself an art; one of the highest arts. The days are past in which it was thought that anybody who had good learning could *keep school*. It is now as well known that persons of excellent learning sometimes make but sorry teachers. "He has good learning: he ought to make a good teacher." Why not put the question in another form: "He understands grammar, he has studied Greek and Latin; he ought to make a good engineer." There are many who have "good learning:" there are few who know how to teach.

It is believed that in our schools the *teaching* has improved. The exploded custom in Arithmetic, Gram-

mar, Geography and History, of giving the scholar a *page* for a lesson,—which for all practical and valuable purposes might almost as well have been committed to the stomach as to the memory,—has nearly disappeared. It is recommended that in the coming year some system be inaugurated by which all teachers shall have illustrated to them the best methods of teaching every principle to be taught in either of the schools.

It is hoped that this subject may receive the attention of those who may apply for schools. It is quite time to extinguish the idea that any one who can pass a literary examination can teach a school.

TEACHERS' MEETINGS.

The teachers' meetings, begun last year, have been continued. In them have been stated the best known methods of teaching. If now there is in town a teacher who is engaged, not in *educating*, but in stuffing scholars with Arithmetic and Grammar and Geography, we respectfully recommend such to the attention of the incoming board. Valuable assistance has been rendered in these meetings by gentlemen whose names need not be mentioned here but whose service is gratefully acknowledged. The school committee not less willingly commend the interest of all the teachers who have given willing attendance and labored to make the meetings rich in good results for the schools.

THE COURSE OF STUDY

As at present arranged intends that the scholar graduating at a Grammar school shall, beside having a knowledge of reading, writing and spelling, be versed in arithmetic, grammar and geography. We are not alone in suggesting the question whether these studies have such eminent importance that all others be neglected. This is substantially the same topic as that which is agitating the colleges of England; which has entered our own university; which is the prominent thought with almost all who are interested in educational improvement.

During the year drawing has been introduced into some of the schools. There are few who will question the belief that ability to draw will in after life be found of quite as great service as ability to tell what river is between Bootan and Assam: and this question named is on par with a great deal of what has been taught in times past in our schools.

The course of study of geography imperatively calls for reform. It is found that, speaking generally, scholars will hardly pass so good an examination in what commonly passes under the name geographical knowledge after "going through" the intermediate geography as they pass upon their study of the smaller book: that is to say, that three years' study, of the intermediate geography has seemed to leave scholars with less geographical knowledge than they had to begin with. Out of this evil *several* reforms have sprung during the year. It will remain for the future committee to determine what course shall be approved.

Certain considerations call for a change in some parts of the town in the course of study of arithmetic. It has, speaking generally here also, been a custom to require scholars to "complete" (nearly) the intellectual arithmetic before commencing "written arithmetic." This course supposes that a scholar must have passed through a critical and extensive "intellectual" study of the whole of arithmetic before he can have a slate and pencil put into his hands to perform the simplest examples in addition. As at present arranged, scholars are occupied from eight until nine years of age with the Primary Arithmetic; beginning then the Intellectual, in one year they reach fractions; another year takes them through the various topics as they occur, to percentage; and another year *finishes* the study. Thus they are eleven or twelve years old when they are adjudged sufficiently accomplished to begin "Written Arithmetic." One year in this study has usually taken a class into reduction; another year, through fractions; while a third or a fourth year has translated them to the High School. This is a course of study sufficiently appalling.

Another consideration: a wonderfully large number

of the boys and girls graduate themselves from our *intermediate* schools: and as scholars are seen no more. By the course which has been followed they go from school with Intellectual Arithmetic as their only mathematical accomplishment.

Again, the Intellectual Arithmetic requires the scholar to commit the definitions and understand the principles. Suppose the scholar to have studied e. g. fractions when ten years old; when he is thirteen, having in the intervening time been occupied with interest and analysis in Intellectual Arithmetic, and with addition, subtraction, &c., in Written Arithmetic, he arrives in the latter study at fractions again. What he once thoroughly learned has been buried under the accumulations of three years. The labor of learning it the second time is not less than the first. Our point is this: that here is waste.

Suggestion: not that less importance be attached to Intellectual Arithmetic as a mental drill; but that when a scholar shall have learned something of numbers he be taught to write them; that when he shall mentally understand addition, multiplication, &c., he work in the same in "Written Arithmetic," that when he shall have conquered fractions in Mental Arithmetic he take the same subject in "Written Arithmetic," and so on, bearing in mind that all principles once gained should be kept near the surface in the mind, by frequent re-viewing of the same.

Until recently, it is believed that the time spent in the study of grammar has been just so much time misused. While reform has recreated almost every department of life and of labor, the course of study in grammar has been substantially the same as that which was pursued in schools twenty years ago. A partial reform has been accomplished; but a thorough and radical change from what was formerly the course of study needs to be completed. We submit that according to that method the study of grammar, which was to teach the child to speak and write correctly, gave him very little ability to do either. We submit to all intelligent

teachers that it is elegant folly, to teach a boy or girl however true it may be of a pronoun, that a "noun used as a subject must be in the nominative case." The profound people who make our grammars generally define the nominative case to mean the relation of subject. Taking this definition of the nominative case and applying it to nouns, the rule may be fairly stated thus : A noun used as a subject is used as a subject!! Our argument is this ; that it is folly, in what is called parsing, to keep a boy occupied years in repeating what amounts to this ; that such non-sense ought not to be taught ; that the course of study of grammar ought to be recast in such form that it will do what now it professes, and actually give the boys and girls ability to speak and write correctly.

No mention has been made in this connection of the studies of the High Schools. This investigation has been pursued in the attempt to get a true solution of these two problems ; why it requires so many years to get a pupil from the primary or intermediate school to the high school, and why they so poorly understand these studies when they do arrive there.

The reasons for this lie largely in the course of study scholars must go through to get to the high school ; but not wholly in this. One teacher, or two teachers, if those with whom the scholar is blessed or cursed, fail to teach *thoroughly* what is taught. Again, a teacher is not watchful and thought-full, to discover all who can advance, to give them the benefit of their thoroughness and those who are dull, the benefit of their dullness.

In the want of *thoroughness* and thoughtfulness on the part of some teachers, and in the course of study scholars must go through to get to the high school, we believe we have found the true solution of the questions named above, and of the principal abuses of our school system ; and to them the attention of the future committee is respectfully called.

THE SCHOOLS.

We ask the people of the town to excuse us from presenting in this report a picture of the beauties and

defects of each teacher. We have to say of the schools generally that, with the exception of two schools, we have had during the year what the uncritical public call good schools. Judged by a higher standard we have had nine schools where the practice has been not so much to stuff the learning into the scholars' memories as to develop their power to reason and think for themselves. It was much to be regretted that we had not the same success in September in securing a teacher for the school in district No. 3 that we had for other schools. That school still has need in the coming year of a teacher of great energy and first rate abilities, to lift it up into a newness of life. And the teacher, whoever she may be will need the countenance and assistance of the parents, in order to succeed in her work. If the whole truth be spoken, four teachers seem to have taken their wages without first giving us very much for which to be paid. Their names can better be given to the committee for the next year than communicated publicly.

There are schools in the town of which that which we are about to say is not true; but speaking generally, it is a defect in our schools that scholars are not given enough to do. We do not mean by this that they should have "longer lessons;" but yet we mean that they should have more to do. That they are not kept busy about something—that their busy-ness is not in something which they ought to do is a defect in our schools. In old times in schools, scholars were kept very busy in sitting still and doing nothing. The proper remedy applied will in any given time cause the schools to produce greatly increased results.

The measure of the work in almost any of our schools may with almost exact truth be said to be the enthusiasm of the teacher. If you wish to learn what schools are the good schools learn who are enthusiastic teachers. The enthusiasm of the teachers depends largely upon the course of the committee: upon the kind of men who in such capacity display their own interest or want of interest: and *to this the attention of the town is invited.*

Your committee thoroughly believe that the best

teachers are also the cheapest. The education with which our boys and girls should be furnished should develop them, not stuff them; they should *understand* what they are taught, so that they shall be, with an education, quicker, brighter, smarter, as well as more learned than they would be without it. This result is not accomplished by the employment of "cheap teachers."

We have spoken with a generous pride of certain teachers whose service we have enjoyed. It is well known to your committee that these, the good teachers, cannot be retained for any less sum than they are now paid; and that some of them can only be retained by an increase of salary. The estimates that are given for the amounts needed for the next year have been carefully made upon a full consideration of the present depressed condition of business affairs on the one hand and of the true interest of the children of the town upon the other. It is earnestly hoped that if any citizen, pursuing a *false economy* shall endeavor to reduce the amount of the appropriation, the town will expect him to exhibit in full detail a system by which good schools and good teaching can be had for the amount he may name. Let this at least be understood: that a reduced appropriation will lose for us our good teachers: that it will be in just so many words, voting to have poor schools.

It would seem that some remark should be made of the almost universal regard which our people entertain for the teachers. Only by the co-operation of parent and teacher can the happiest results be produced. In this connection it perhaps ought to be remarked that the ill-advised conduct of a certain few, in interfering with their schools, merits pointed condemnation. It is hoped that public sentiment will in all that is right sustain the teachers and thus sustain their schools.

Before closing this report we would call attention to something which has in the past been too much neglected. We quote from the Gen. Statutes, Ch. 38, Sec. 10. It shall be the duty of teachers "to exert their best en-

deavors to impress on the minds of children and youth committed to their care and instruction, the principles of piety and justice, and a sacred regard for truth ; love of, their country, humanity, and universal benevolence ; sobriety, industry and frugality ; chastity, moderation and temperance ; and those other virtues which are the ornament of human society and the basis upon which a republican constitution is founded ; and it shall be the duty of such instructors to endeavor to lead their pupils, as their age and capacities will admit, into a clear understanding of the tendency of the above mentioned virtues, to preserve and perfect a republican constitution and secure the blessings of liberty, as well as to promote their future happiness." That instruction in these subjects should, under some systematic method, receive greater attention than in the past it has, is too evident to need argument.

Looking back over the year, recollecting what has been attempted by the teachers to improve themselves, contrasting the intelligence of scholars as we saw them at the close of the year with our recollection of them at the beginning of the schools, it seems to your committee that during the year a year's work has been done. That the scholars have learned a great deal can be seen. Judging by a higher standard, it can also be seen that they have greater intelligence and exhibit greater power to think and reason. These are general statements and apply to some schools much better than to others.

Respectfully submitted,

WALES B. THAYER,	} School Committee.
A. B. FRENCH,	
THOMAS WEST.	

Randolph, March, 1868.

STATISTICAL.

The whole number of persons in the town between five and fifteen,	1,476
Increase in one year,	25
Number of children in the town attending schools, under five,	21
Number of persons in the town attending school over fifteen,	87
Number of different people who have visited our schools during the year, not far from	300
Average of visits, to each school per week,	1
Number enrolled as scholars in the town,	1,282
Average attendance Spring Term,	1,050
“ “ Fall “	965
“ “ Winter “	898
“ “ for the year,	971
“ number of children out of school each day,	505

Estimates for the ensuing year.

For salaries of Teachers,	\$8,319
“ care of rooms, &c.,	560
“ Stetson School,	300
“ Fuel,	900

Total for support of schools,	\$10,079
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For repairs, furniture and incidental expenses,	\$500
“ painting three school houses,	300

	\$800
Whole amount for schools, and repairs,	\$10,879
The <i>income</i> for the year, applicable to school purposes will be, perhaps,	\$450

NAMES OF TEACHERS.	District.	Grade.	Whole No. of Scholars.			Average Attendance			Total	No. over 15.	No. Visitors.
			Spring.	Fall.	Winter.	Spring.	Fall.	Winter.			
Ada Belcher,	1		43	43	29	35	37	21			29
Estelle F. Wilson,	2	Prim.	37	35	25	30	29	19	2		43
Esther Beaman,	2	Int.	34	35	35	31	32	30		3	37
Emily Copeland,											
Harriet A. Holbrook,	3		55	54	51	45	40	35			49
N. C. M. Winship,											
E. Annie Paine,	4	Prim.	53	49	48	46	39	34	3		55
Mary J. Austin,	4	Int.	36	33	41	31	27	32		3	
Hannah O. Noyes,	5		37	37	37	26	27	29	1	1	22
Alice A. Smith,	6	Prim.	72	60	50	58	42	36	5		40
Helen S. Dunbar,	6	Int.	42	50	50	35	37	43			41
S. Augusta Bass,											
Edna M. Howard,	7		60	56	49	42	46	38	2	1	113
Enna M. Packard,											
Emma F. Veazie,	8	Prim.	86	88	71	63	58	44	4		43
Emma P. Ryan,	8	"	66	66	71	56	57	50			65
Lottie S. Bean,	8	"	58	60	56	44	46	41			44
Flora A. Belcher,	8	"	52	48	47	40	33	38			28
S. M. Tileston,	8	Int.	54	57	57	50	48	47			50
Hannah F. Thayer,	8	"	56	48	48	51	40	43			24
Sarah E. Shankland,	8	G.	48	44	45	45	39	41			
Thos. H. West,	8	Gram.	47	35	38	38	31	32			35
Mary H. French,	9	rim.	59	55	52	55	49	43	1	10	35
Felicia Vining,											
Alma G. Pierce,	9	Int.	40	37	38	38	35	34			37
John V. Beal,	9	Gram.	38	36	37	36	31	31		1	
Lucy J. Thayer,	10	Prim.		50	42		37	30	3	17	19
Isadora Arnold,	10	Int.	104	55	50	83	43	40			66
Wales B. Thayer,	10	Gram.	59	44	55	47	37	48		24	70
F. W. Lewis,		High.	27	21	21	25	20	19		24	

Marriages Recorded in Randolph, 1867.

- Jan. 8. Thomas E. Burbank, Jr., and Alice A. Thurston, both of Randolph.
 " 12. Isaac N. Thayer of Randolph and Lavina Brett of N. Bridgewater.
 " 14. Gilbert A. Lyons and Anna M. Shultz, both of N. Bridgewater.
 " 27. Richard Sullivan of Stoughton and Susan A. Ward of Randolph.
- Feb. 5. Michael Healy of Boston and Margaret R. Driscoll of Randolph.
 " 19. Cullen Palmer of Boston and Mary Willis of Randolph.
 " 20. John Lynch and Mary Hoyer, both of Randolph.
 " 24. James Breenan and Julia McDermott, both of Randolph.
- Apr. 18. John T. Marston of North Bridgewater and Isabella R. Packard of Randolph.
 " 19. George M. Clark and Sarah E. French, both of Randolph.
 " 21. Byron B. Brown and Elisena Hollis, both of Randolph.
- May 11. Adam W. Jones and Matilda Tower, both of Randolph.
 " 16. Samuel L. White of Randolph and Sarah E. Hayden of Braintree.
- June 1. George F. Littlefield of Stoughton and Hattie R. Austin of Randolph.
 " 11. Allen W. Litchfield of Cambridge and Maria D. S. Burrell, of Randolph.
 " 11. Charles H. Mann and H. Annie Phillips, both of Randolph.
 " 16. Lorenzo B. Kimball of Boston and Susie Shedd of Randolph.
 " 18. Welcome A. Howard of North Bridgewater and Nellie M. Jones of Randolph.
 " 30. Barton H. Decoster and Susan A. Hicks, both of Randolph.
- July 7. Henry Dodge and Lucinda B. Tileston, both of Randolph.
 " 11. Philander W. Thayer of Randolph and Sarah E. Hinkley, of Rome, N. Y.
 " 21. Patrick Regan and Ann Brown, both of North Bridgewater.
 " 28. Daniel Faxon, Jr., and Mary Ann Thayer, both of Randolph.
 " 31. Moses G. McGauhey and Margaret Gill.
- Aug. 4. Fessenden Besse of Randolph to Sarah M. Littlefield of Stoughton
 " 5. Cady Soule, Jr., and Mary J. Myers, both of Randolph.
 " 6. John Greenwood and Mary Frances Benjamin, both of Braintree.
 " 18. John F. Hollis of Randolph and Amanda Thompson of Weymouth.
 " 18. James H. Cooper of North Bridgewater and Rebecca K. Chase of Randolph.
 " 22. Samuel W. Bonner of Greensburg, Ind., and Abbie A. Snell, of Randolph.
 " 24. Elijah W. Porter and Julianna W. Buker both of Randolph.
- Sept. 3. Marcus Burns and Margaret Byrn, both of Randolph.
 " 9. William B. Spear and Emily C. Allen, both of Randolph.
 " 26. Benjamin French of Brunswick Me., and Sarah W. Lamb of Randolph.
 " 28. Eliot Thayer and Elanor B. White, both of Randolph.
- Oct. 9. James M. Thayer and Josephine D. Belcher, both of Randolph.
 " 13. Daniel Daily and Ann Frizzell, both of Randolph.
 " 13. George B. Hall and Nancy J. Sullivan, both of Randolph.

- Oct. 14. Lorenzo D. Eddy and Betsey Marshall, both of Randolph.
 " 16. John Harris and Mary Barry, both of Randolph.
 " 3. Charles T. Stetson of Randolph and Caro P. Harden of Dixmont,
 Maine.
- Nov. 13. William B. Belcher, Jr., and Laura E. Blanchard, both of Randolph.
 " 14. Frederick Bigelow and Eliza A. Beals, both of Randolph.
 " 17. Patrick Cain and Bridget Riley both of Randolph.
 " 20. Joseph Jones and Ruth White, both of Randolph.
 " 20. Aaron Belcher and Julia A. Dyer, both of Randolph.
 " 21. Nelson E. Knight and Annie A. Tucker, both of Randolph.
 " 25. Volney French and Lizzie J. Tansy, both of Quincy.
 " 27. John P. Beal of Randolph and Ella A. Brett of Stoughton.
 " 30. Frederick N. Bigelow of Randolph and Augusta W. Beard of Ashby.
- Dec. 8. Henry F. Thayer and Eliza Ann Paine, both of Randolph.
 " 5. George W. Taber and Laura Ann Bailey, both of Randolph.
 " 25. Aaron Hollis and Sarah C. Hollis, both of Randolph.

DEATHS IN RANDOLPH FOR THE YEAR 1867.

Date of Death.	NAMES OF DECEASED.	Yrs. Mos. Dys.			Disease, or cause of Death.
		Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.	
1866, Aug. 2,	George N. Johnson,	38			Typhoid Fever.
Jan. 1867, 3,	Roxana Pierce,	58	5	1	Scrofula.
" 9,	Patrick H. Kiernan,	1	5	21	Hydrocephalus.
" 22,	Charles N. Pool,	40	6	1	Consumption.
" 22,	Julia O'Neil,	25			Consumption.
February 3,	Lucia A. Keith,	23	3	8	Hypertrophy & Dil n Hr't
" 19,	Alice Donohue,	68	10	10	General debility.
" 21,	John C. Donnehey,	2	3	17	Dysentery.
" 22,	Julia Donnehey,	9	6	16	Dysentery.
March 6,	Sarah M. Brown,	26	2		Consumption.
" 12,	Julia Garrity,	1	1		Lung Fever.
" 16,	Elizabeth A. Belcher,	36	7	16	Phthisis Pulmonalis.
" 24,	Ida J. Capen,	3	6		Congenital H'r't disease.
April 5,	Jabez S. Stetson,	16	1		Phthisis.
" 10,	William Donnehey,			1	Premature birth.
" 18,	Dennis McAuliffe,			7	Infantile.
" 27,	Etudine Borbeau,	19	6		Heart disease.
May 3,	Thomas Duffy,	80			Old age.
" 6,	Joseph N. DuBois,	34	8	2	Typhoid Pneumonia.
" 8,	John Thayer,	17	3	10	Phthisis.
" 10,	Annie Sullivan,	1	6	8	Dysentery.
" 11,	Francis Crosby,	17	11		Pulmon'y consumption
" 17,	Elizabeth McCrea,	66	7	2	Pneumonia.
June 9,	Hannah L. Freeman,	66	10	27	Inf'n & Ulc. Esophagus.
" 12,	John E. Shadick,			5	Infantile.
" 13,	Michael Murphy,	35			Pulmon'y consumption
" 15,	Niles,			1	Premature birth.
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" 16,	Amasa Joy,	70	5	19	Consumption.
" 19,	Lucy L. Tirrell,		9	4	Consumption.
" 28,	Esther B. Moore,		2	7	Unknown.
July 7,	Emma J. Howland,	14	10		Phthisis.
" 15,	John O'Keefe,	50			Mania a potu.
" 21,	Ellen Sullivan,	31			Consumption.
" 28,	Hattie A. Pratt,	2	11		Convulsions.
August 21,	Hattie T. White,		4	19	Cholera Infantum.
" 29,	Sybil Howard,	76	8	21	Old age.
" 29,	Albert Thayer,	2	7		Menengetis.
September 1,	George W. French,	51	6	16	Suicide, (Insanity.)
" 2,	Clarence H. Holbrook,		8		Dentition.
" 5,	Benjamin Paine,	82	5	11	Old age.
" 5,	Ellen J. Gill,		11	3	Dentition.
" 6,	Rebecca Madan,	57		21	Consumption.
" 14,	Mary J. Emilie,	34	3	7	Phthisis.
" 19,	Mary A. Wortman,	30	10	27	Phthisis.
" 24,	Michael Riley,	41			Enlargement of liver.
" 25,	Ellen Flynn,	2			Gastritis.
" 27,	Annie Thayer,			28	Infantile.
October 1,	Lucia E. F. Keith,		8	4	Tubercular Mengenetic.
" 4,	Esther P. Belcher,	45	8		Consumption.
" 6,	William H. Stetson,		2	23	Infantile.
" 12,	John McCue,	40			Accidental.
" 12,	Wales French,	84	10	2	Old age.
" 15,	Thomas Reed,	64			Heart disease.
" 20,	Acsah Derby,	72	11	3	Heart disease.
" 23,	Augusta Abbott,	27	8	4	Phthisis.
" 26,	Susan L. Howard,	42	4	7	Internal hemorrhage.
" 29,	Oliver H. Bowman, jr.	13	1	13	Internal injury.
November 11,	Louisa J. Palmer,	3	11	1	Choked to death.
" 20,	Mary McMahan,	37			Heart disease.
" 21,	Lucia M. Holmes,	46		10	Cons'n. Hemorr. lungs.
December 30,	Amity C. Curtis,	33	4		Phthisis pulmonalis.
" 30,	Rose Kiernan,			26	Debility.
" 31,	Sarah Flora Britton,	17	10	17	Effusion in chest.

LIST OF JURORS.

The following is a list of Jurors, for the consideration of the Town, to be acted upon at the Annual Meeting, April 6th, 1868.

Baker, Samuel
 Belcher, Charles
 Belcher, Ansel.
 Belcher, Lewis S.
 Belcher, Wilson
 Belcher, Allen A.
 Beal, Eleazer
 Bennett, John

 Clark, J. Francis
 Cushing, Perez W.
 Chandler, Roscoe P.

Dyer, Adoniram J.
 Daniels, Ozias D.
 Dolan, Thomas

French, Austin B.
 French, John L.
 French, Wales jr.

Howard, Daniel
 Howard, Gideon jr.
 Howe, Wm J.
 Harris, J. Wales
 Hobart, N. E.

Kellaher, John (E. R.)
 Kiernan, Edward

Lothrop, Edward E.
 Lovering, Mason

Lincoln, Ephraim W.
 Linfield, Isaac N.
 Lewis, Ira W.
 Long, John

Moulton, Ebenezer
 Mann, Ephraim
 Mann, Elisha
 Maloon, Enos S.
 May, John
 McMahon, Cornelius

Niles' John.

Pike, Martin P.
 Pendergrass, Orlando

Reynolds, William F.
 Roel, Edson M.

Sullivan, Thomas
 Swain, Abram G.
 Sawyer, Seth C.

Thayer, P. Webster
 Thayer, Royal
 Thayer, Rufas A.

Underhey, John jr.

White, Oramel
 Whiting Theophilus W.

Wales, Atherton

Wentworth, Lemuel

Wales, Appollos

Wild, Ludovicus F.

West, Thomas

Whitcomb, Joseph E.

Wentworth, Wales B.

J. WHITE BELCHER,	}	Selectmen of Randolph.
NATHANIEL HOWARD,		
JACOB WHITCOMB,		

COPY OF ARTICLES

*In the Warrant to be acted upon at the Annual Meeting,
April 6th, 1868.*

- Article 1.—To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.
- “ 2.—To choose all necessary Town officers for the year ensuing, also a Trustee of “Stetson High School Fund,” for three years, and to fill a vacancy for one year, occasioned by the resignation of Thomas White, Esq.
- “ 3.—To raise such sum of money as may be deemed necessary for the support of Schools, and appropriate the same.
- “ 4.—To raise such sums of money as may be thought proper for repairs of school houses, and incidental expenses for schools.
- “ 5.—To determine the manner of repairing the highways and bridges the coming year, and make appropriations for the same.
- “ 6.—To take action in relation to funding the town debt.
- “ 7.—To raise such sums of money as may be thought proper to pay town debt and interest.
- “ 8.—To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray other town expenses, and make appropriations of the same.
- “ 9.—To see what action the town will take in relation to fire engines, engine houses, and the pay of engine-men.
- “ 10.—To see what action the town will take in relation to a lock-up, in compliance with sec. 16, chap. 217, of the acts of 1862.
- “ 11.—To see if the town will renew the vote passed at the last annual meeting in relation to reservoirs.
- “ 12.—To act on a list of jurors, as reported by the Selectmen.

Article 13.—To see if the town will adopt the provisions of the several acts of the Legislature, so far as applicable to truant children and absentees from school.

“ 14.—To see if the town will take action in relation to providing better accommodations for the support of their poor, in the erection of a new building, purchase of land, &c.

“ 15.—To see if the town will discontinue the old town way leading from or near the barn of Charles McCarty, in the rear of the dwelling house of Owen Dean, to its intersection with the new road, as laid out by the County Commissioners.

“ 16.—To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, (with the approval of the Selectmen,) to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

“ 17.—To see if the town will make any discount on the payment of taxes the current year, and accept the provisions of chap. 146 of the acts of 1862, as to interest on taxes unpaid, also to fix the rate.

“ 18.—To see what action the town will take in relation to a claim by Mr. Benjamin Paine, for damage to his horse from an alleged defect in the highway.

“ 19.—To see if the town will authorize the collector of taxes to use all means for collecting the same, which a town treasurer, when appointed collector, may use.

“ 20.—To hear reports, choose committees, and act upon any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

